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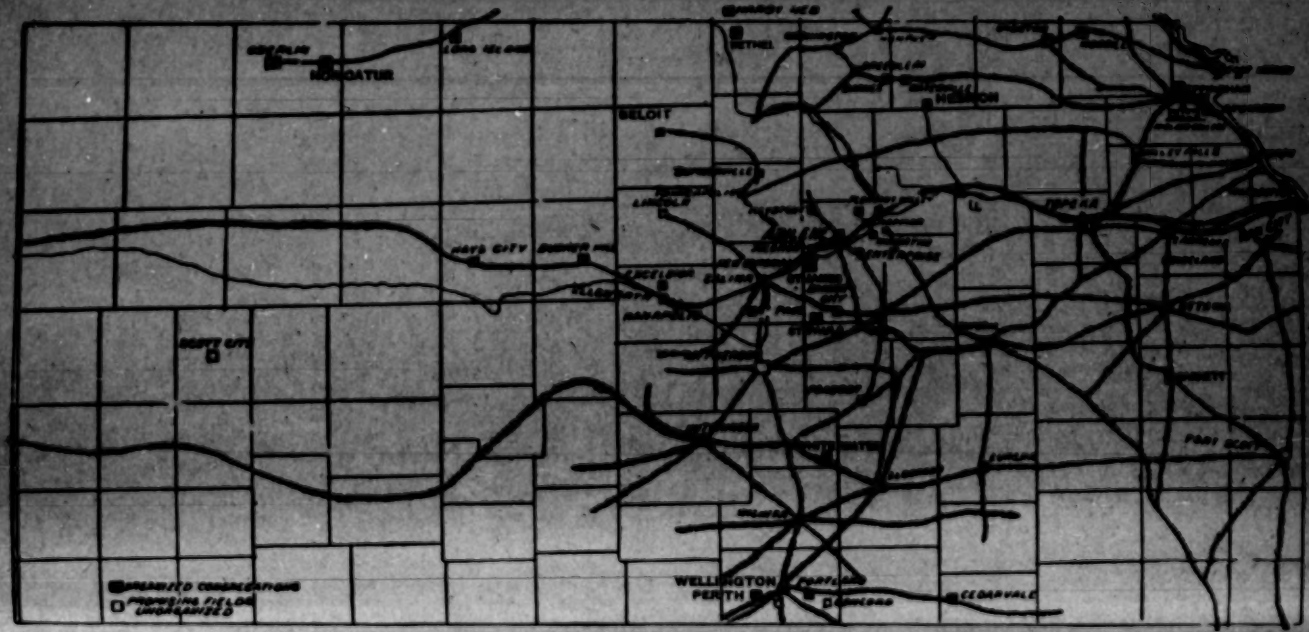

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Corporate Name.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS.

OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

President—REV. R. B. WOLF, Kansas City, Kan.
Secretary—REV. E. E. STAUFFER, Lawrence, Kan.
Treasurer—MR. A. T. OLSON, Lawrence, Kan.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. Statistician and Historian.

REV. J. B. McAFEE.

Trustees of Synod.

	Term Expires.
REV. R. B. WOLF	1906
REV. E. E. STAUFFER	1906
REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D.	1906
MR. J. H. BERLIN	1908
MR. J. P. BURTIS	1908

2. Examining Committee.

REV. J. A. M. ZIEGLER, D. D., REV. R. B. WOLF,
REV. C. E. WIRICK, REV. F. D. ALTMAN, D. D.,
REV. J. H. STOUGH, PH. D.

3. Beneficiary Committee.

REV. J. HOWARD STOUGH, PH. D., 1907, REV. I. B. HEISEY, 1906,
MR. R. M. LADWIG, 1908.

4. Trustees of Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage.

REV. H. ZIMMERMAN, 1906, MR. G. B. HANSTINE, 1907.

5. Committee on Systematic Beneficence.

REV. E. E. STAUFFER, REV. CHAS. F. WIEST.

6. Advisory Board of Home Missions.

REV. R. B. WOLF, 1907, REV. WM. KELLY, 1906,
REV. FULLER BERGSTRESSER, 1908.

7. Committee on Minutes of Last Convention.

REV. C. W. SIFFERD, D. D., REV. T. P. SKOVGARD.

8. Committee on History of Synod.

REV. H. A. OTT, D. D., REV. E. E. STAUFFER,
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REV. J. B. McAFEE, REV. M. F. TROXELL, D. D.

9. Committee on Parochial Report.

REV. CHAS. F. WIEST, REV. J. J. CHAMBERS,
REV. J. M. HERBST.

10. Committee on Transportation.

REV. H. A. OTT, D. D., REV. J. A. M. ZIEGLER, D. D.

11. Committee on Sunday-Schools and Young People's Societies.

REV. A. E. RENN, REV. S. M. LESHER,
MR. JOHN SELIG.

12. Synodical Representative of Board of Foreign Missions.

REV. I. B. HEISEY.

13. Committee on Necrology.

REV. C. E. WIRICK, REV. D. H. CRAMER,
REV. J. N. ZIMMER.

14. Committee on Endowment of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary.

REV. FULLER BERGSTRESSER, REV. E. E. STAUFFER,
MR. J. H. BERLIN.

SPEAKERS FOR 1906.

Tuesday Evening—Opening Sermon. PRES. R. B. WOLF.

Wednesday Evening—Anniversary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Thursday Evening—Address.—Secretary of Home and Foreign Missionary Board.

Friday Evening—Ordination Sermon. Chaplain O. C. MILLER, U. S. A. Alternate, REV. H. L. YARGER, D. D.

THE THIRTY-NINTH CONVENTION.

Time—Third Tuesday (16th to 19th) Evening of October, 1906.
Place—First Lutheran Church, Topeka, Kan.

PLACES OF MEETING SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF KANSAS SYNOD.

No.	*Time.*	*Place.*
1.	November 5-7, 1868	Topeka, Kansas.
2.	April 25, 1869	Atchison, Kansas.
	October 6-10, 1869	Kansas City, Mo.
3.	October 5-10, 1870	Lawrence, Kansas.
4.	September 27-October 1, 1871	Grasshopper Falls, Kansas.
5.	September 11-14, 1872	Monrovia, Kansas.
6.	October 1-6, 1873	Kansas City, Mo.
7.	October 21-25, 1874	Abilene, Kansas.
8.	September 22-27, 1875	Lawrence, Kansas.
9.	August 1-6, 1876	Kansas City, Mo.
10.	August 22-25, 1877	Salina, Kansas.
11.	August 7-10, 1878	Peabody, Kansas.
12.	September 24-28, 1879	Abilene, Kansas.
13.	October 13-18, 1880	Lawrence, Kansas.
14.	October 5-9, 1881	Bunker Hill, Kansas.
15.	October 25-30, 1882	Salina, Kansas.
16.	October 24-29, 1883	Eureka, Kansas.
17.	November 25-December 1, 1884	Topeka, Kansas.
18.	October 20-26, 1885	Peabody, Kansas.
19.	October 12-18, 1886	Waterville, Kansas.
20.	October 25-31, 1887	Abilene, Kansas.
21.	October 23-28, 1888	Lawrence, Kansas.
22.	October 1-6, 1889	Atchison, Kansas.
23.	October 21-27, 1890	Salina, Kansas.
24.	October 20-25, 1891	Emporia, Kansas.
25.	October 18-23, 1892	Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial.
26.	October 17-22, 1893	Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran Church.
27.	October 16-21, 1894	Topeka, Kansas.
28.	October 15-20, 1895	Abilene, Kansas.
29.	October 20-25, 1896	Lawrence, Kansas.
30.	October 20-24, 1897	Peabody, Kansas.
31.	October 19-23, 1898	Hutchinson, Kansas.
32.	October 18-22, 1899	Atchison, Kansas.
33.	October 3-7, 1900	Waterville, Kansas.
34.	October 16-20, 1901	Wellington, Kansas.
35.	October 15-19, 1902	Salina, Kansas.
36.	October 21-25, 1903	St. Joseph, Mo.
37.	October 19-23, 1904	Eureka, Kansas.
38.	October 17-21, 1905	Emporia, Kansas.

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The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas convened in Thirty-eighth Annual Convention, in St. Mark's English Lutheran Church, Emporia, Kansas, Rev. H. Zimmerman, pastor, Tuesday evening, October 17th, 1905, at 8 o'clock.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, the Rev. R. B. Wolf, of Kansas City, Kansas. The subject was "The Progress of the Kingdom."

Following the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1905, 8:30 A. M.

A half-hour's devotional service was conducted by Rev. A. E. Renn.

Synod was opened by the use of the Morning Common Service.

The Clerical roll was called and lay delegates enrolled.

Synodical Roll.

Numbers.	Ministers.	Entered Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegates and Correspondents.
1	S. Henry, *a. e.*	1850	Independence.	
2	J. B. McAfee, *a. e*	1854	Topeka.	
3	A. B. Kirtland, *a. e.*	1857	Salina.	
4	N. W. Lilly, *a e.*	1858	Kansas City, Mo.	
5	D. Scholl, *a*	1859	Hoquiam, Wash.	
6	R. B. Whitehill, *a*	1862	Wellington.	
7	A. J. Hartsock, *a*	1867	Salina.	
8	H. H. Hall, D. D.	1869	Chapman	Thos. H. Taylor, *d.*
9	J. Howard Stough, Ph. D.	1872	Atchison	Professor Midland College.
10	J. F. Cressler	1872	New Cambria	Geo. Vaupel, *d.*
11	John A. Bright	1873	Topeka.	
12	O. C. Miller	1874	Ft. Riley	Chaplain 13thCav'ry,U.S.A.
13	S. Palmer, *a. e.*	1875	Lawrence.	
14	C. W. Sifford, D. D.	1875	Ottawa	Ralph G. Burk, *d.*
15	J. M. Cromer	1876	Kansas City, Mo.	M. C. Ross, *c.*
16	Wm. Kelly	1876	Oklahoma City,Okla.	Geo. Sohlberg, *a. e.*
17	B. F. Pugh	1877	Ottawa	Supply at Garnett&Haskell.
18	John A. M. Ziegler, D.D. *a. e.*	1877	Kansas City, Mo.	John A. Wible, *d.*
19	J. N. Zimmer	1878	Abilene	Pastor at Manchester.
20	H. A. Ott, D. D.	1881	Topeka	H. W. McAfee, *a.*
21	F. D. Altman, D. D.	1882	Atchison	President West. Theo. Sem.
22	C. E. Wirick	1882	Salina	Henry Berg, *a. e.*
23	A. B. Shrader	1882	Kansas City	D. H. Kresky, *a. e.*
24	H. L. Yarger, D. D., *a. e.*	1885	Atchison	West. Sec. Bd. of Ch. Ex.
25	H. A. Koogle, *a. e.*	1888	Chapman.	
26	I. B. Heisey	1892	Waterville	D. K. Rice. *a. e.*
27	R. B. Wolf	1893	Kansas City, Kan.	H. C. Bennetzen, *d.*
28	Fuller Bergstresser	1893	Abilene	H. L. Humphrey, *d.*
29	H. Zimmerman	1893	Emporia	John Henning, *d.*
30	S. M. Lesher	1895	Sedalia, Mo.	Geo. Brill, *a. e.*
31	P. S. Spraker, *a*	.....	Kenard, Neb.	
32	P. G. Tonsing, *a.*	1893	Atchison.	
33	J. J. Chambers	1896	Perth	Jos. D. Mickley, *d.*
34	A. E. Renn	1896	Atchison	A. B. Zimmerman, *d.*
35	R. P. Schimmelpfenning, *a. e.*	1896	Glasco	Sam'l Grau, *c.*
36	D. H. Cramer	1897	Eureka	H. F. Riser, *d.*
37	E. E. Stauffer	1897	Lawrence	John Selig, *d.*
38	B. R. Lantz	1898	St. Joseph, Mo	R. M. Ladwig, *d.*
39	J. Kent Priver, *a. e.*	1897	Atchison	J. W. Clark, *a. e.*
40	Chas. F. Wiest	1898	Hays City	Henry Reemsnyder, *a. e.*
41	W. A. Livers	1899		
42	J. M. Herbst	1901	Effingham	Sam'l Roll, *d.*
43	C. G. Nielsen.	1901	Belot	Dan. Koch, *c.*
44	Chas. F. Shultz	1901	Bendena.	
45	M. F. Rinker, *a. e.*	.....	Norcatur.	
46	R. Richter	1900	Greenleaf	Simon Skovgard, *c.*
47	M. L. Exline, *a. e.*	.....	Stafford.	
48	Thale P. Skovgard	1903	Peabody	J. J. Null, *d.*
49	Fred. R. Shirck	1905	Atchison	Student West. Theo. Sem.
50	Vacant	...	Whitewater	G. B. Hanstine, *d.*
51	Vacant	.....	Minneapolis, St Paul's	H. Harbaugh, *c.*
52	Vacant	.....	" St. John's	Herman Stetler, Delphos *c.*
53	Vacant	.....	Wellington	Harry Pratt, *c.*
54	Vacant	.....	Jerico	Anton Clever, *c.*
			Moray	W. M. Zimmerman, *d.*
			Abilene, St. James	John D. Freed, *c.*
			Bunker Hill, Zion	Dr. Gross, *c.*
			" Excelsior	John Gamber, *c.*
			Vinland	I. I. Hemphill, *c.*
			Garnett	L. S. Seigler, *c.*

a. Absent without excuse. [*a. e.* Absent and excused. [*d.* Delegates. *c.* Correspondents.

NOTE.—When no delegate is present Synod records the name of some member for purposes of correspondence.

President Rev. R. B. Wolf read a short historical account of the first Lutheran church constructed in Kansas, erected by Rev. J. B. McAfee, at Valley Falls, Kansas, and then presented a beautiful walnut gavel made from a piece of wood taken from this building. The gavel was made by Mr. P. D. Schall, of Trinity Church, Kansas City, Kansas.

President's Report.

Fathers and Brethren: In the providence of God we are permitted to assemble in this the thirty-eighth annual convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas. Let us not fail to be mindful of the goodness and mercy that have followed us all our days, but more especially during those which have elapsed since last we assembled.

For the first time in its history the General Synod has been called upon to mourn the death of its president, the Rev. E. J. Wolf, D. D., LL. D., having departed this life January 10, 1905. An element of peculiar interest to us in this great loss to the Church arises from the fact that it was to our territory that he made his last trip, and that practically his last service was given to one of our own congregations, participating in the debt-canceling jubilee of the First church of Kansas City.

During the year the Lord hath taken unto Himself four members of our Synod. The first two names on our roll have been removed, by the death of Rev. J. Schauer and Rev. L. C. Groseclose. Rev. Henry Heigerd and Rev. Jonas Freet were the others. These had all long since retired from the active work. Among the pastors no death has occurred. Six of these, however, have been dismissed to other synods. Eight brethren have been received. Our roll shows a net loss of two.

Herewith follows a statement of my official acts:

DISMISSALS.

Rev. W. F. Poot, to the Nebraska Synod, November 1, 1904.

Rev. C. N. Swihart, to the Rocky Mountain Synod, December 25, 1904.

Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., to the Central Illinois Synod, February 5, 1905.

Rev. E. H. Combs, to the Nebraska Synod, March 16, 1905.

Rev. B. F. Kistler, to the Iowa Synod, September 27, 1905.

Rev. R. W. Hufford, D. D., to the East Pennsylvania Synod, September 13, 1905.

ACCESSIONS.

Rev. M. L. Exline, from the Wittenberg Synod, November 8, 1904.

Rev. M. F. Rinker, from the Rocky Mountain Synod, February 9, 1905.

Rev. S. M. Lesher, from the Nebraska Synod, April 7, 1905.

Rev. A. B. Shrader, from the Iowa Synod, August 12, 1905.

Rev. A. E. Renn, from the Wittenberg Synod, September 9, 1905.

Rev. T. P. Skovgard, from the Nebraska Synod, October 5, 1905.

Rev. R. Richter, from the German Nebraska Synod, October 7, 1905.

Rev. O. C. Miller, from Southwest Virginia Synod, October 18, 1905.

The following pastoral changes have occurred:

RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. R. W. Hufford, D. D., Atchison, Kansas, December 1, 1904.

Rev. C. N. Swihart, Peabody, Kansas, November 1, 1904.

Rev. E. H. Combs, Whitewater, Kansas, February 9, 1905.

Rev. B. F. Kistler, Greenleaf, Kansas, March 1, 1905.

Rev. F. Heilman, Kansas City Memorial, April 24, 1905.

Rev. C. F. Schultze, Wellington, Kansas, July 1, 1905.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

Rev. B. R. Lantz, St. Joseph, Mo., November 1, 1904.

Rev. T. P. Skovgard, Peabody, Kansas, January 1, 1905.

Rev. M. F. Rinker, Norcatur, Kansas, February 1, 1905.

Rev. S. M. Lesher, Sedalia, Mo., February 1, 1905.

Rev. A. B. Shrader, Kansas City, Memorial, August 1, 1905.

Rev. A. E. Renn, Atchison, Kansas, August 15, 1905.

Rev. R. Richter, Greenleaf, Kansas, September 27, 1905.

VACANCIES AND SUPPLIES.

At the opening of the synodical year eight of our congregations were without a pastor, and later six more became vacant by resignation. Eight of these have succeeded in securing pastors. In addition to these, Moray has been regularly cared for by Dr. Altman, of the Seminary, ever since the departure of Dr. Clutz. Garnett and Haskell have been fortunate in having the ministrations of Rev. B. F. Pugh, whose work has been very helpful in those places. Rev. R. P. Schimmelpfenning has held services once a month for the Delphos congregation of the Minneapolis charge. Whitewater and Bunker Hill were supplied during the summer months by Mr. F. R. Shirck and Mr. Lebbeus Woods respectively. These brethren are students of the Western Theological Seminary and authority was given them

to serve these congregations. Reports have reached the president that their ministrations were very satisfactory. Wellington has had supplies, but with no approach to regularity. Only a few services were secured by the church at Jerico, Mo., and that at Minneapolis, Kansas.

This is the only disappointing feature of our work, that we close the year with six of our charges unsupplied with pastors. A vacancy is at all times discouraging, sometimes disastrous, and a settled pastor should hesitate before placing his congregation in the uncertainty of its having regular services again. And a congregation should move slowly in putting itself in such a position. In the matter of securing pastors and supplies I desire to acknowledge the very efficient co-operation of the field secretaries of the Church Extension and Home Mission Boards.

INSTALLATIONS.

Rev. C. W. Sifferd, D. D., was installed pastor at Ottawa, Kansas, on Sunday, December 11. At the request of the pastor and church council the Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., field secretary of the Board of Home Missions, was commissioned to officiate.

Rev. B. R. Lantz was installed pastor of the congregation at St. Joseph, Mo., on January 8, 1905. Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., delivered the charge to the pastor and the president of synod that to the congregation and performed the act of installation.

AD INTERIM LICENSE.

On recommendation of the Examining Committee, *ad interim* license was granted to F. R. Shirck and Lebbeus Woods, students of the Western Theological Seminary. These brethren were both under call from two of our vacant congregations for the period of their vacation and the interests of these vacant congregations were taken into consideration in the granting. The licensure was made to expire with the termination of their services in the field.

CHURCH BUILDINGS AND PARSONAGES.

Kansas City, Mo. Grace church reports the purchase of a church building, which they have been occupying for about three years and which has in that time attested its adaptability to their needs. It is a substantial structure, situated in a desirable section of the city and cost the congregation $6,300.00.

Lawrence. This congregation has just recently built a parsonage with a valuation of $3,000.00, and including lot, of $4,250.00, all of which has been provided for except $1,500.00. This is a commendable step on the part of our Lawrence people, and the comparative

ease with which it has finally been accomplished ought to encourage others of our congregations to make the effort to comfortably house their pastors. A new heating plant is also being installed in the church.

Topeka. A total outlay of $2,100.00 has given the church at Topeka appointments in the way of furniture the equal of any in the synod. A two-manual pipe-organ, an altar, baptismal font and chancel-rail were installed and set apart to the worship of God December 18, 1904, to the intense joy of both pastor and people. While they were at it, the Pipe-organ Committee fixed up everything about the building that needed attention, making many needed repairs both outside and inside, the efficiency of that committee being as commendable as it was unusual. Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., and Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., participated in the dedicatory services.

Ottawa. About $350.00 have been spent on improvements in church and parsonage.

Sedalia. Expended $200.00 on improvements.

Glasco. $320.00 of indebtedness has been paid this year and in addition have papered and painted the interior of the church building.

Eureka. This congregation has made improvements upon the parsonage, adding both to the comfort and convenience of the pastor, at an expense of $100.00.

Kansas City, Kansas. Trinity church expended about $500.00, half of which is a reduction of the debt and the other represents a new roof on the building.

Valley Falls. This congregation paid $60.00 on church debt and made improvements in and about the building.

JUBILEE OF KANSAS CITY FIRST CHURCH.

The first official act your president was called upon to perform after the adjournment of the last convention was to participate in the jubilee service of the First church, Kansas City, Mo. It was a celebration of the payment of the entire indebtedness of the congregation, amounting to $22,000.00. Until this happy and successful conclusion, the undertaking had been considered an impossibility by every one except the pastor, the Rev. John A. M. Ziegler, D. D., and it is due to the sublimity of his faith and the tirelessness of his labors that the jubilee was possible, as well as to the loyalty and heroic generosity of the members of the congregation. We believe that, all things considered, nothing like this has ever been accomplished in any Lutheran congregation, and the influence of it will be felt—is already felt—over the entire synod. It was a fine achievement, and one over which the entire General Synod feels glad. Those participating in the services were the Rev. E. J. Wolf, D. D.,

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That this culmination augurs much for the First church is already showing and the influence of it will be felt in all our congregations. An element of sincere regret in connection with this is the fact that the consuming anxieties of the strain and the almost superhuman burdens that he had to carry proved too much for the strength of the pastor, Dr. Ziegler, and he has suffered ever since from a nervous affection verging upon disability, and from which there is at present little promise of speedy relief.

APPOINTMENTS.

The resignation of the Rev. E. H. Combs, a member of the Advisory Board of Home Missions, caused a vacancy in that Board, and the Rev. H. Zimmerman, of the same conference district, was appointed in his stead.

A vacancy occurred in the Examining Committee by the resignation of the Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D. On account of the condition of his health and the strong probability of his not being able to attend this convention, the chairman of that committee asked that the president of synod serve on the committee in Dr. Jacoby's stead. Both of these appointments have been approved by the trustees.

CORRESPONDENCE.

During the year one hundred and eighty-five letters were received, all calling for reply and some of them for several. In all more than two hundred and forty letters have been written in behalf of the synod. Many of these have been in the effort to get unemployed pastors and vacant congregations together. In this we have been successful only in part. Some correspondence related to the reception of several ordained ministers of other denominations into our synod. These have been referred to the Examining Committee and will be reported to the Ministerium from there. None of the other correspondence calls for anything to be brought to the attention of synod except what is shown from the statement of official acts elsewhere in this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That a standing committee on necrology be appointed to prepare suitable memorials for those who have been called to their final reward during the year and to arrange for a commemorative service at a suitable time during this convention.

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APPOINTMENTS.

The resignation of the Rev. E. H. Combs, a member of the Advisory Board of Home Missions, caused a vacancy in that Board, and the Rev. H. Zimmerman, of the same conference district, was appointed in his stead.

A vacancy occurred in the Examining Committee by the resignation of the Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D. On account of the condition of his health and the strong probability of his not being able to attend this convention, the chairman of that committee asked that the president of synod serve on the committee in Dr. Jacoby's stead. Both of these appointments have been approved by the trustees.

CORRESPONDENCE.

During the year one hundred and eighty-five letters were received, all calling for reply and some of them for several. In all more than two hundred and forty letters have been written in behalf of the synod. Many of these have been in the effort to get unemployed pastors and vacant congregations together. In this we have been successful only in part. Some correspondence related to the reception of several ordained ministers of other denominations into our synod. These have been referred to the Examining Committee and will be reported to the Ministerium from there. None of the other correspondence calls for anything to be brought to the attention of synod except what is shown from the statement of official acts elsewhere in this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That a standing committee on necrology be appointed to prepare suitable memorials for those who have been called to their final reward during the year and to arrange for a commemorative service at a suitable time during this convention.

2. That the president and secretary of synod, or duly appointed representatives, be authorized to attend the obsequies of members of synod within our own territory and that their expenses be allowed from the synodical treasury unless otherwise provided.

STATE OF RELIGION.

No extraordinary number of accessions is reported from any of our congregations, but almost without exception they report some gain in membership, indicative of a healthy growth. The reports are incomplete, only twenty-nine of our pastorates sending statements to the president. Ten of these claim a growing attendance. Only one reports a diminishing number of worshipers.

The attendance of members of the church at the prayer-meetings varies. In a few of the congregations it is as low as ten per cent. Most of the pastors report as high as seventy-five per cent., however, and some even a higher average. This is certainly encouraging, for where the members are faithful in attendance upon the prayer-meetings the church must assuredly prosper. A few of the pastors have not been able to maintain regular meetings of this character, but such a condition ought by all means to be removed, and no church should be allowed to rob itself of the benefits of the social prayer-hour.

Synod now maintains a standing committee on Sunday-schools and young people's societies and we shall not anticipate their report by any observations here. The congregations have all now become regular and systematic in their giving, and this must soon, if not now, show larger results in the gifts. There is much to make us rejoice to be read between the lines of these reports. Our pastors' hearts are heavy with the sense of responsibility, and at the same time light in the consciousness that the Great Head of the Church has blessed their labors. There is not a discordant note anywhere; scarcely a minor strain to be detected. With enlarged efficiency on the part of the officers of the various congregations and increasing loyalty on the part of the individual members, we may well look for greater things for Zion.

The trust committed to my hands by you I now lay down, conscious only of my limitations in its execution, profoundly grateful to God for His blessing and to you for your courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted, R. B. WOLF.

Report was received and referred to proper committee.

Moved and seconded that the first six pews be made the bar of Synod.

The Treasurer then offered his report.

(See Appendix A.)

It was referred to a committee.

The Treasurer was instructed to add a footnote to his report showing that the churches at Salina and Hayes City had met their apportionment, though too late for credit in the report.

Election of Officers.

The election resulted as follows:

President—Rev. R. B. Wolf.

Secretary—Rev. E. E. Stauffer.

Treasurer—Hon. H. L. Humphrey.

Advisory Members—Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D., Nebraska Synod; Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., Nebraska Synod.

Corresponding Member — Rev. J. Hume Dobbyn, of the Episcopal Church.

H. L. Humphrey offered his resignation as Treasurer.

It was moved that the resignation be accepted with the thanks of Synod for the careful and efficient services rendered.

Mr. A. T. Olson, of Lawrence, was elected as Mr. Humphrey's successor.

The chairman of the Parochial Committee reported.

(See Appendix B.)

Moved that the report be received and adopted.

Hours of Meeting and Adjournment.

Meeting: 9 a. m., 2 p. m.

Adjournment: 11.:45 a. m., 4:30 p. m.

Evening Services: 7:30 p. m.

Moved that a telegram of sympathy and cheer be sent to Dr. J. A. M. Ziegler, of Kansas City.

Rev. Fuller Bergstresser was named by the President to send the telegram.

On motion the hour of 3 p. m. was named as the time to hear Dr. M. F. Troxell on behalf of Midland and the Board of Education.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. John A. Bright.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, 2 P. M.

Rev. H. H. Hall, D. D., offered the opening prayer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Moved that a representative be named to bear the greetings of Synod to the Woman's Convention on the occasion of their 25th anniversary. Rev. A. B. Shrader was appointed.

Report of the Committee on Transportation.

Your standing Committee on Transportation would report that they have secured reduced rates for quite a number of pastor's families moving back and forth, including reduced rates for household goods. We secured half rates for all the officers of the missionary convention. On account of there not being one hundred delegates attending this convention who paid full fare coming, it was impossible to get a general convention rate. Our expenditure for postage was 75 cents.

Respectfully submitted for the committee,

H. A. OTT.

Moved that the report be received and bill reported be allowed.

Moved that press reporters be appointed:

Kansas City papers—Rev. J. M. Cromer.

Local papers—Rev. D. H. Cramer.

Lutheran World—Rev. B. R. Lantz.

Lutheran Observer—Rev. I. B. Heisey.

Lutheran Evangelist—Rev. J. J. Chambers.

Committees Appointed.

President's Report—Rev. H. A. Ott, Rev. D. H. Cramer, Samuel Roll.

Treasurer's Report—J. H. Berlin, J. A. Wible, H. F. Rizer.

Absentees and Excuses—Rev. J. M. Herbst, Rev. A. E. Renn, J. Mickley.

Apportionment—Rev. C. F. Wiest, Rev. J. J. Chambers, G. B. Hanstine.

Correspondence—Rev. J. M. Cromer, Rev. T. B. Skovgard, T. H. Taylor.

Synodical Calendar—Rev. B. R. Lantz, Rev. E. E. Stouffer, H. C. Bennetzen.

Literary and Theological Institutions—Rev. O. C. Miller, Rev. C. W. Sifferd, H. L. Humphrey.

Minutes of Conferences—Rev. B. F. Pugh, C. G. Nielsen, W. H. Smith.

Representation to the W. H. & F. M. Soc.—Rev. A. B. Shrader.

Resolutions—Rev. H. H. Hall, Rev. J. F. Cressler, R. M. Ladwig.

Vacant Congregations—Rev. C. E. Wirick, Rev. S. M. Lesher, Rev. J. Kent Rizer.

Literature—Rev. F. D. Altman, Rev. I. B. Heisey, A. B. Zimmerman.

Claims—Rev. H. Zimmerman, Rev. R. Richter, John Selig.

Temperance—Rev. J. A. Bright, Rev. A. B. Shrader, Rev. J. N. Zimmer.

Necrology—Rev. F. Bergstresser, Rev. A. E. Renn, Rev. D. H. Cramer.

Admission of New Churches—Rev. J. H. Stough, Ph. D., Rev. S. M. Lesher, H. F. Rizer.

By appointment Dr. M. F. Troxell addressed the Synod on behalf of the Board of Education at 3 o'clock p. m.

Moved that Dr. Luther P. Ludden, Field Secretary Western District of the Board of Home Missions, be heard on behalf of the Home Mission work. Dr. Ludden addressed the Synod.

J. H. Hill, Vice-President of the State Normal, was received as corresponding member of Synod and addressed the same.

Moved that Synod accept the invitation to visit the State Normal Friday morning.

Moved that the Minutes of the Woman's Convention, upon their request, be included in the Minutes of Synod.

Moved that Secretary of Synod be instructed to cast the ballot of the Synod for the re-election of J. P. Burtis and J. H. Berlin as Trustees of Synod.

Rev. J. M. Cromer spoke on behalf of Pastors' Fund.

Rev. E. P. Elcock was received as corresponding member of Synod, on motion, who addressed the Synod, as representative of Ministerial Association of Emporia.

Moved that the Synod reciprocate the felicitous greeting of the Ministerial Association.

Resolved, That the president of synod hereafter be instructed to see that the expenses of retired ministers unable to attend the meetings of synod from financial inability be paid out of the synodical treasury.

Moved that the contribution of Rev. S. Henry, amounting to five dollars ($5.00) be turned into the Pastors' Fund.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. Elkhart.

EVENING SESSION.

7:30 O'CLOCK.

The 25th anniversary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society was the order of this service.

The President of the Synodical Society, Mrs. H. A. Ott, of Topeka, presided.

The addresses of the evening were delivered by Miss Jessie Brewer, returned missionary from India, and Rev. L. P. Ludden, D. D. Mrs. O. J. Peters read a historical sketch.

A liberal offering was received for the Synodical Society.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION.

THURSDAY, 9 A. M.

The devotional service was conducted by Chaplain O. C. Miller.

Opened with the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes of former session read and corrected.

Report of the Committee on the President's Report.

The President's Report gives evidence of careful and comprehensive preparation, and his official acts reveal a faithful performance of his duties. Your committee favor the adoption of all his recommendations:

1. That a standing Committee on Necrology be appointed to prepare suitable memorials for deceased members and make arrangements for appropriate commemoration services to be held during the convention of synod.

2. That the president and secretary of synod be authorized to attend the obsequies of members of synod and that their expenses be allowed from the synodical treasury of synod if not otherwise provided.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. OTT,
D. H. CRAMER,
SAMUEL ROLL.

Adopted.

Moved that the hour of 4 o'clock be named as the hour for the holding of Memorial Services for those who have passed away during the year.

Report of the Auditing Committee.

EMPORIA, KAN., *October 19, 1905.*

Your committee to audit the books and accounts of the treasurer, H. L. Humphrey, respectfully report that the same have been examined and checked up and found correct, with a balance on hand at the closing of the books of $327.43, viz.:

Ministerial Education, $157.76; Synodical Treasury, $169.67. Also beneficiary notes on hand amounting to $3,035.00.

J. H. BERLIN,
JOHN A. WIBLE,
H. F. RIZER.

H. L. Humphrey read to Synod letters received from beneficiary students of the Kansas Synod whose notes have been

canceled, expressing their gratitude. Letters from the following persons were read: Rev. E. E. Schantz, Rev. S. M. Lesher, Rev. M. D. Berg, Rev. A. M. Reitzel, Rev. G. S. Bright.

Report of Trustees of Midland College.

We are glad to be able to report that very substantial progress has been made at Midland during the past year.

The productive endowment has been increased $10,000.00, and is now $36,000.00. Dr. Clutz's house has been purchased by the trustees for the College as a president's home, at a purchase price of $4,000.00. $500.00 of this sum was donated by Dr. Clutz, $1,500.00 paid in cash and the balance represented by a mortgage payable in two years.

There is a standing offer of $2,000.00 towards a chapel and recitation hall, which is available when an additional $5,000.00 has been raised for this purpose. The C. W. Slagel legacy of $1,500.00 will soon be available, and it is especially gratifying to be able to report that the last year closed without a deficit and all bills are paid to date.

At the last meeting in June the Board authorized the opening of a department of Domestic Science. This has been done, and Miss Maria Linley has been placed in charge. Miss Linley has had excellent preparation for the work and at this time things are moving on nicely in the new department.

Miss Linley has also been placed in charge of Oak Hall as preceptress, and is doing so well that the hope has been expressed that this temporary arrangement be made permanent.

Among the students an excellent college spirit prevails. Last year it was suggested that a military company might be organized. This was done, and the company made its first appearance in full uniform at the union Thanksgiving services last year, when the president of the College preached the sermon. An excellent impression was made upon the public as well as upon the students.

The enrollment of students at this time is 25 per cent. larger than last year and every room in Atchison Hall is occupied. Oak Hall has only two vacant rooms, and there are several students in prospect who may soon occupy these.

The needs are many and have often been mentioned. Among them the one pressing need is a new professor, which will make possible the dividing of the department of Mathematics and Sciences.

At the very opening of the fall term Professor McCord tendered his resignation, and Professor W. E. Anderson, a fellow of Chicago University, has been secured to continue the work. Owing to the

pressing needs in this department we recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That we encourage the movement now on foot to secure an additional professor for the department of Mathematics and Sciences.

Respectfully submitted, I. B. HEISEY, *Trustee.*

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Ministerial Education.

Your committee would report that during the year aid was given to Mr. Frederick Shirck in the sum of $75.00, and to Mr. Paul H. Heisey and to Mr. Paul Mennenoeh in the sum of $125.00 each.

Mr. Shirck has completed the middle year of his theological course and entered on the last year of his course in the Western Theological Seminary. During the past summer he has supplied very acceptably the pulpit at Whitewater, Kan., and is present at this meeting of synod as an applicant for licensure. He asks aid in the sum of $125.00 for the coming year.

Mr. Paul H. Heisey has completed creditably the Sophomore year of his college course. He was able during the summer vacation by lecturing to make a sum of money, which, with other resources, will make it possible for him to reduce the amount asked for from synod. He asks for an appropriation of $50.00 for the coming year.

Mr. Paul Mennenoeh has completed the work of the Freshman year with the exception of a term's work in one of his studies, which he will be required to make up this year. He asks aid in the sum of $125.00.

Mr. Fred Christ, formerly a member of our church at Peabody, but more recently of the Children's Memorial of Kansas City, makes application to the amount of $125.00. He has presented the usual documents certifying to his church connection and character, and is personally known to members of the committee and synod. He has entered the Junior class of the Seminary. Mr. Christ has had a good common school education and for some years has been engaged in a business life. Your committee regrets that his age makes it inexpedient for him to take the regular college course.

In reference to the foregoing items we recommend:

1. That aid be granted to F. R. Shirck, Paul Mennenoeh and Fred Christ in the sum of $125.00 each, and to Paul H. Heisey in the sum of $50.00.

2. That as the amount to be raised this year, the apportionment for Ministerial Education be not less than 12 cents per member, and that the attention of the pastors be called to the fact that, by a reso-

lution of synod, this is the first apportionment to be raised during the synodical year.

With reference to a resolution on page 28 of last year's minutes, instructing that all students supported by the synod be required to take a full course in the German language, your committee have to report that, with the work already required of students to make our curriculum meet the requirements of the State Board of Education and secure state recognition for our institution, it has been found to be impossible to arrange schedules for teachers or to find time for students to carry out this provision. It is possible, under existing arrangements, for students to take German as an elective study during the last two years of their college course, and arrangements could doubtless be made by which they could have the privileges of instruction during their theological course if thought advisable by their instructors, but beyond this the committee, in consultation with the faculty of the College, could not go.

Respectfully submitted, J. HOWARD STOUGH,
I. B. HEISEY,
JESSE SHWARTZ.

Adopted.

Report of the Committee on the History of Kansas Synod.

Your standing Committee on the History of Kansas Synod would report that they have been gradually working up data covering the pioneer history of Kansas Synod, its later history, its various auxiliaries, including our institutions of learning, etc., until the ground is covered sufficiently to fill a book as large as deemed wise to publish. They have also data covering the Augustana Synod, the Missouri Synod, and other parts of the Lutheran Church in Kansas. This is largely ready to be condensed and edited according to the merits of the various features described.

At a recent meeting of the committee it was deemed best to appoint one man to write the history, the other members co-operating and advising. The chairman of the committee was chosen to do this work. Your committee is now ready to issue the book provided the synod will authorize its publication. We estimate the book will require 250 pages, cover to be 6x8 inches, in brevier type, with twelve pages of tables, and illustrated with cuts of the churches, colleges and pioneer members, and groups of the present membership of synod. While the bulk of the book will be descriptive of Kansas Synod, several chapters will be added giving a brief survey of Lutheran churches and institutions other than those of Kansas Synod, thus aiming to set forth a broad view of Lutheranism in this state. The total cost of such a book, bound in cloth, sewed, with gold side

and back stamp, printed in first-class style on 70-pound, No. 1, S. & S. C. book paper, according to estimates in hand, will be $318 for 500 copies, or $373 for an edition of 750 copies.

Your committee believes that, with a reasonable co-operation of our pastors, enough copies could easily be sold at $1.00 each to pay the cost of publishing; and further, they are satisfied the issue of such a book would stimulate the Church on this territory and add greatly to its efficiency. We would accordingly recommend its publication. We would present a bill of $8.00 incurred for postage and attendance at one meeting of the committee at Atchison.

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. OTT,
R. B. WOLF,
M. F. TROXELL,
H. L. YARGER,
E. E. STAUFFER,
J. B. McAFEE.

Adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. A. B. Shrader.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION

THURSDAY, 2 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev, C. F. Wiest.

Reading and approving minutes of morning session.

Report of Committee on Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies.

Your committee would report as follows:

To gain more definite information from our Sunday schools and young people's societies, we sent to each pastor or superintendent a report blank. Of these only twenty-five were returned. Hence, to complete our report we were compelled to refer to the report of the Parochial Committee.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Thirty-eight Sunday schools, with a membership of 3,737, were reported, as compared to forty Sunday schools, with a membership of 3,658, of last year—a loss of two schools and a gain of seventy-nine members.

Of the twenty-five schools reporting to your committee, seventeen report primary departments, eleven separate primary rooms, seven report Cradle Rolls, five have home departments, eight have teachers'

meetings, nine have rally day, thirteen sent delegates to their county Sunday school conventions, seven sent delegates to the state Sunday school convention, and eleven report growth in efficiency. Some report growth in regular attendance, others in organization, others in good music, others in benevolence.

We have reason to believe that many of our schools are doing better work, but we deplore the fact that the schools are diminishing in number.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

There are reported twenty young people's societies, with a membership of 570; of these, fourteen are Christian Endeavor societies and six are Luther Leagues.

It is with pleasure we note that several of the societies are doing definite missionary work.

Only two societies report a member having the gospel ministry in view.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First. That synod next year devote one evening to Sunday school or young people's work.

Second. That all the conferences be urged to devote at least one session to the earnest consideration of practical work in the Sunday school and young people's societies, and that hearty invitations be extended by the officers of conference and earnest effort be made by the pastors to secure the attendance at conference of active workers in these departments of the Church.

Respectfully submitted, J. J. CHAMBERS,
J. M. HERBST.

Adopted.

Mrs. Alice G. Bond, of Salina, brought to the Synod greetings from the Woman's Synodical Society.

Report of the Committee on Correspondence.

The only paper submitted to your committee is a letter from the Rev. A. Stewart Hartman, secretary of the Board of Home Missions.

This letter expresses appreciation of the hearty co-operation of this synod in the work of Home Missions, but it goes on to regret the deficit on apportionment during the last biennium, amounting to the appalling sum of $30,000.

The remaining part of the letter suggests that it must be a circular letter. It urges upon synod to raise its apportionment. This part of the letter, most happily, does not apply to us, since Kansas Synod has for years raised its apportionment.

But we again desire to bring this cause before our churches, that the interest may not wane, and hoping that we may be able to maintain our good record in the future.

Respectfully submitted, J. M. CROMER,
THALE P. SKOVGARD,
T. H. TAYLOR.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Reception of New Congregations.

Your committee would report that the document placed in our hands is the application of the German-English St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church of Lancaster, Atchison county, Kan., together with the Constitution of the same. This congregation has been served for some years by Rev. Prof. Carl Krueger in connection with his work in Midland College. We find that the Constitution is in harmony with the requirements of the General Synod, and we recommend that it be received and its name entered on the roll of congregations.

Respectfully submitted, J. HOWARD STOUGH,
S. M. LESHER,
H. F. RIZER.

Adopted.

Moved that a new column be opened by our Treasurer, and an apportionment of 7 cents be made for the endowment of the Western Theological Seminary.

Rev. Fuller Bergstresser reported that the following message was sent to Rev. J. A. M. Ziegler, D. D.:

"The Kansas Synod sincerely regrets your enforced absence and prays for your speedy recovery of health. God bless you, brother. Read 1 Cor. ii to iv, 7."

The following telegram was received from Dr. Ziegler:

"My support is Psalm xxvii. 14. Fraternal message, 1 Cor. xv. 58."

Moved that power be granted to the President and Secretary to receive the congregation at Rocky Ford, Colo., when application is presented with constitution of same, providing the constitution be found in harmony with our requirements.

Memorial Service.

Rev. A. E. Renn, presiding.

Hymn 586.

Scripture 1 Cor. xv.

Prayer, Rev. H. H. Hall, D. D.

Tributes to Rev. Jacob Schauer by Rev. J. M. Cromer.

Rev. Henry Heigerd by Rev. J. M. Herbst and G. B. Hanstine.

Rev. Jonas Freet by Rev. Fuller Bergstresser.

Rev. L. C. Groseclose by Rev. John A. Bright.

Prayer by Rev. D. H. Cramer.

Report of Trustees of Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage.

Your trustees beg leave to report:

We were not able to attend the annual meeting of the Board in August—on account of the sickness of one and of the other's absence from home. We have been able to keep in touch with the Home, however, by correspondence and conference with its officers. We rejoice in the progress and prosperity of the work. Eighteen worthy orphans are already being cared for in the Home, and there are applicants greater in number than can be accommodated, which is signal proof that Providence has designed a place and mission in mind for this Home, and the needs appeal eloquently for patrons and liberal support of this institution. Enlargements and improvements are imperative. The original building is being raised and enlarged and a heating plant is being installed. The sum of $2,878.01 has come into the treasury since the opening of the Home, May, 1904. The sum of $2,166.26 has been expended. The remainder is being rapidly exhausted on current expenses and improvements. The management desires to work on a cash basis. On September 28th a very successful Visitor's Day was held and dinners were served to 225 visitors on the grounds. The proceeds of dinners and of offerings was $117.00 in cash, besides substantial donations for the larder and clothing for the children. Visitor's Day was a happy idea, and no doubt will be made an annual affair. Rev. J. K. Bloom, who had been appointed to undertake the general oversight of the Home, has declined to undertake the work. A superintendent seems to be an urgent need of the rapidly growing institution. The directors are considering the supplying of this need as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted, H. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

EVENING SERVICE.

At the evening service addresses were delivered on "Our Deaconess Work," by Rev. Wm. Kelly, and the "Pastors' Fund," by Rev. C. W. Sifferd, D. D.

FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 8 A. M.

Devotional services led by Rev. B. R. Lantz.

Synod opened with prayer by Rev. J. A. Bright. Reading of minutes and calling of roll.

Report of Delegates to the General Synod.

The forty-second biennial convention of the General Synod met in the city of Pittsburg, Pa., in Bethany Lutheran church, June 14-21, 1905. We were in the very midst of the great missionary synod—the Pittsburg—and in session in the city of steel and coke. Barring the weather, which approached torridity, everything passed off pleasantly. It was a convention of peace.

Rev. D. H. Bauslin, D. D., Rev. H. K. Fenner, D. D., and Geo. H. Knollenberg were elected, respectively, president, secretary and treasurer on the first ballot by a large vote.

There was a notable and pathetic absence of the fathers, most of whom have gone to their eternal reward. In the biennium two of the officers—the president, Rev. E. J. Wolf, D. D., LL. D., and the treasurer, Louis Manss—had entered into rest and their familiar faces were missed.

The synod was organized with 128 clerical and 114 lay delegates in their places. As the chief interest centers in the work of the Boards, a few words touching on their reports may not be out of place.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The burdensome debt of this Board had been canceled, with a cash balance of nearly $8,000.00 in the treasury. The receipts for the past two years, $136,958.13, were the largest in the history of the work.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

This report was encouraging. The churches paid into its treasury

$12,000.00 more than during the previous biennium, the receipts from all sources having been $104,151.53. And yet the work had so much enlarged that a deficit of $7,000.00 was reported, which was provided for by special pledges on the part of the delegates.

BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

The General Secretary announced in his report that this was the best in its history. The receipts were $145,194.70, an increase of $12,000.00 for the two years.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

This Board reported an increase of 13 per cent. in receipts over the previous period, with an unusual number of special gifts to our beneficiary institutions. $30,684.68 were contributed for the biennium for the work of the Board.

So much for the ingathering of material things; how about the harvest of souls? The statistical secretary reported the communicant membership of the Church as 222,818, an increase of 12,876. Deducting all losses, the increase in accessions is only 4,617, or one accession to every fifty members.

Our synod had a handsome excess on apportionment for all the great Boards.

We would respectfully call your attention to the following items:

(1) The first memorial from our synod, concerning the relation of the Western Theological Seminary to the synods on whose territory the seminary is located, was referred to the Board of Education, with power to make such arrangements for the government of the Western Seminary as in their judgment they may see fit.

The second memorial, concerning common music for the Common Service, was referred to the Common Service Committee.

(2) Apportionment: General Synod, .02; Home Missions, .28; Foreign Missions, .25; Church Extension, .20; Board of Education, .12; Pastors' Fund, .07; Deaconess Board, .07; Home for the Aged, .05. This is for 1906-07.

(3) Change in the system of apportionment to make local expenses the basis instead of communicant membership. A committee on this subject reported, concerning which report the following action was taken:

"*Resolved*, That the committee be enlarged to include one delegate from each synod, with instruction to secure the judgment of each synod on the proposed change in the system of apportionment, and that this committee be asked to report at the next convention of the General Synod."

Rev. Henry Zimmerman was appointed from our synod on this committee.

We suggest that this matter be informally discussed at this convention of synod under the leadership of Brother Zimmerman, so as to bring it before the brethren, final action to be taken at the next meeting of our synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. WIRICK,
R. B. WOLF,
H. ZIMMERMAN,
H. L. HUMPHREY,
J. M. CROMER,
FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
J. A. M. ZIEGLER,
J. H. HOFFER,
J. A. CABLE,
R. J. PETERS,
S. H. WEIGLE.

Committee on Temperance.

We, your committee, beg leave to make the following report:

The soul of temperance goes maching on. Civic reform movements are directly due to the temperance agitation and education which have been so vigorous for a half-century. The attitude of the business world against the drink habit is also the result of the enlightened and awakened temperance conscience. Law enforcement by governors and mayors is an outgrowth of the seed-planting through press and school and pulpit and platform. Besides these, there are many other hopeful signs. In all these good things we rejoice, thank God, take courage, and go forward.

Therefore, be it resolved,

1st. That we will stand by every effort of those in power to strictly enforce existing laws against the liquor traffic and every form of graft in civil affairs.

2d. That we will afford our moral support to the governor of Kansas in the enforcement of the laws of the state against intemperance and civic unrighteousness.

3d. That we will support the governor of Missouri in his efforts to enforce the Sunday-closing laws against the saloon.

4th. That we will continue to instruct our people in the way of temperance, sobriety and honesty with all fidelity, and stand together with all good men for the deliverance of our land from the curse of rum.

5th. That synod send two delegates to the tenth National Anti-Saloon Convention, to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., November 22-24, 1905; said delegates to be appointed by the president of synod, and they to pay their own expenses.

6th. That we favor the passage of a law by Congress prohibiting the issuing of a United States liquor license in prohibition states, and thus conform to the state laws.

7th. That we commend Congress for its act in appropriating nearly two million dollars for the erection, equipment and maintenance of recreation buildings for the comfort and enjoyment of the enlisted men of the army.

8th. That we ought to keep our national obligations to the Indians by maintaining prohibition in the Indian Territory.

9th. That we strongly favor the Gallinger-Stone Amendment, calling for a prohibitory provision in the Constitution of the new state of Oklahoma.

10th. That the secretary be instructed to forward these resolutions to the proper committees in Congress, and the governors of Kansas and Missouri, respectively.

Respectfully submitted, JOHN A. BRIGHT,
A. B. SHRADER,
G. B. HANSTINE.

Adopted.

The order of the day was the visit of Synod to the Kansas State Normal. The members attended in a body. President Rev. R. B. Wolf read the Scriptures, Secretary Rev. E. E. Stauffer offered prayer, Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D., and Rev. J. M. Cromer addressed the student body.

Report of Committee on Literary and Theological Institutions.

It is a source of profound gratitude to Him who has called us as his co-worker in the saving of our fellowmen that He has given us a college and theological seminary located upon our territory, thus greatly increasing our opportunities and responsibilities.

It behooves us to pledge anew our loyalty and most earnest service to the enlargement of the usefulness of these institutions, which are the essential factor in the work of our synod.

In these days when we see on every hand the larger plants absorbing the smaller ones, it is of vital importance that we make the most strenuous efforts to save the smaller Christian colleges throughout our land, as institutions whose influence has never been more needed than to-day.

We are especially grateful that Midland College and our Western Theological Seminary are both well equipped for work and in a more prosperous condition than at any time since they were founded.

In view of these facts your committee earnestly entreat all our ministers and people that they both pray and work for the increas-

ing usefulness of these institutions, striving continually to send them students and to help them in every way they can.

1st. Your committee recommend that the synod at once take up the matter of permanent endowment of our college and seminary, and that the president be authorized to appoint a permanent committee of three (two clerical and one lay) to take the matter in hand, reporting annually their plans and progress to the synod.

2d. Whereas the Synod of Kansas fully appreciates the helpful influence of the Western Theological Seminary upon our church work in the West, and recognizing the importance of its endowment for efficiency and permanency of service, therefore be it

Resolved, That this synod hereby authorize its proper persons to issue a note, payable on or before five years from date, to the Board of Education of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church, in the sum of $1,500.00, to apply on the endowment of the president's chair of the Western Theological Seminary; this sum to be paid, if possible, in five equal annual installments, without interest.

Respectfully submitted, OLIVER C. MILLER.

Adopted.

While the above report was pending, Dr. F. D. Altman addressed the Synod on behalf of the Western Theological Seminary.

Moved that the Ministerium meet at 4 p. m., or at the conclusion of the afternoon session if prior to that.

Miss Jessie Brewer was introduced to Synod and made a few remarks.

Adjourned with prayer by Chaplain O. C. Miller.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION.

FRIDAY, 2 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. J. F. Cressler.

Reading of the Minutes and approving of same.

Committee on Minutes of Last Synod.

Your committee would report as follows:

On page 22 the secretary was instructed to secure blank letters of dismissal for church members and distribute them among the brethren. Has this duty been performed? Yes.

Page 23 records a motion to the effect that the notes given by those who have received aid from the synod and have served faithfully in the ministry for a period of five years be returned to them. Has this been done? Yes.

On page 28 is found a resolution requiring all our beneficiary students to take a full course in the German language while attending our institution of learning. (See Report of Committee on Ministerial Education.)

On page 33 the secretary was instructed to correspond with the members of this synod who have been absent for two years or more without excuse, and inform them that unless some satisfactory reason be given for their absence their names will be dropped from the roll of synod. Has this been done and with what result? Yes, and no names dropped.

We would recommend that the secretary of synod see to it that the treasurer's report be placed in the minutes in the same form as the parochial reports.

Respectfully submitted, C. E. WIRICK,
J. M. HERBST.

Adopted.

Report of Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Your committee would report the following congregations as at present on the funds of the Board of Home Missions and receiving the aid indicated:

Greenleaf and Barnes	$150 00
Beloit	150 00
Children's Memorial	400 00
Effingham and Valley Falls	150 00
Garnett	100 00
Hutchinson	350 00
Kansas City, Kansas	500 00
Oklahoma City, Okla	500 00
Ottawa	200 00
Sedalia, Mo	340 00
St. Joseph, Mo	300 00
Wellington	125 00

Eureka became self-sustaining on January 1st, 1905.

St. Joseph has reduced its appropriation from the Board from $300.00 to $200.00. Various causes have prevented the other missions from making any further reductions.

Oklahoma City, Okla. At the last convention of synod $200.00 was appropriated by synod to the support of this mission. Of this

amount $136.00 has been paid our missionary; the balance, $64.00, is now due. $15.36 is in the hands of the treasurer of synod, which leaves a net deficit of $48.64. They ask for $100.00 for next year.

1. We recommend that the sum of $100.00 be appropriated to the support of the Oklahoma City mission and that subscriptions for that purpose be taken now.

2. We also recommend that our churches at Whitewater and Manchester, Kansas, be given aid by the Board of Home Missions in the sum of $100.00.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY,
R. B. WOLF,
H. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

By unanimous consent, Dr. Ludden was asked to raise a Synodical Home Mission Fund at this point, out of which our obligation to Oklahoma City be paid, and the balance be put under the direction of officers of Synod for Synodical Home Missions.

Pledges for Synodical Missions.

Sedalia	$10 00	Lawrence W. H. & F. M. Society	$5 00
Perth C. E.	5 00	Lawrence Luther League	5 00
Chapman	10 00	Moray	10 00
Effingham	5 00	New Cambria	5 00
Topeka	20 00	Eureka	5 00
Emporia	10 00	Ottawa Luther League	5 00
Hay's City	10 00	Whitewater	5 00
St. Joseph	15 00	Atchison	10 00
Peabody	30 00	Oklahoma City	13 00
Kansas City, Kan.	5 00		

PERSONAL PLEDGES.

J. J. Chambers	$5 00	Geo. Vaupel	$2 00
Miss Anna Leidigh	3 00	Rev. B. F. Pugh	5 00
John Selig	5 00	John A. Bright	2 00

Moved that the balance due the Oklahoma City mission be paid from the Synodical Treasury less the amount now in hand.

On motion the time for the meeting of the Ministerium was extended fifteen minutes.

Moved that we receive invitations for the next meeting

of Synod. Invitations were read from Ottawa and Topeka. Topeka was chosen. Time third Tuesday in October.

Report of the Committee on Claims.

KANSAS SYNOD DR.

1. To Rev. R. B. Wolf, president.	
For postage, $4.85; express, $0.90	$5 75
2. To Rev. E. E. Stauffer, secretary.	
Salary, $25.00; postage, express, supplies, $6.09	31 19
3. To H. L. Humphrey, treasurer.	
Mileage, $3.25; salary, $5.00; postage, $5.55	13 80
4. To Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, Com. on Parochial Reports.	
Postage; telegram to Dr. Zeigler	1 88
5. To Rev. H. Zimmerman.	
Programs, $1.75; postage, $0.75	2 50
6. To Rev. J. J. Chambers, Committee on Sunday-school and Young People's Societies.	
Printing, $2.25; postage, $0.50	2 75
7. Historical Committee	8 00

We recommend that the above claims be allowed and an order be drawn on the treasury in favor of the above-named creditors.

Respectfully submitted,

H. ZIMMERMAN,
JOHN SELIG,
RICHARD RICHTER.

Report of the Committee on Vacancies.

While there has been a decrease in the number of vacancies during the year, your committee regrets to report that a number of churches are without pastors, as follows: Wellington, Minneapolis, Bunker Hill, Vinland, Jerico, Whitewater, and, after the 22d inst., Hutchinson.

Your committee is reliably informed that steps have been taken by the church at Wellington to secure a pastor. The Delphos church of the Minneapolis charge is served by the pastor at Glasco.

We recommend that the effort made last year to form a charge out of the churches at Minneapolis and Manchester be continued.

We further recommend that the church at Whitewater be permitted to have a supply from the Seminary until they may secure a pastor.

As to the status of the other vacancies, we have no information.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. WIRICK,
S. M. LESHER.

Report of Committee on Literature.

The literature of a Church is an important factor in the development of the same; it encourages loyalty and love. Our Publication Society furnishes helpful and instructive books and supplies for our homes and our Sunday schools. An examination of our Society's catalogue will verify the statement. Two books have been recently published of special interest to all good Lutherans. If possible, they should be in the hands of our pastors and people. The first is "The Higher Rock," in memory of our beloved departed brother, Dr. E. J. Wolf, of Gettysburg, Pa. The book contains some of Dr. Wolf's best sermons and addresses, selected by a committee for this purpose. The book is for sale by our Publication Society, Philadelphia, Pa.

The second is a "Memorial Volume of Rev. S. B. Barnitz, D. D., Missionary and Western Secretary," dedicated to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. This is for sale by the German Literary Board, Burlington, Iowa.

The simple mention of these books should secure a large sale. It is the duty of all the members of this synod to see to it that our own publications are used and widely distributed.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
I. B. HEISEY,
A. B. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Minutes of Conference.

Your Committee on Minutes of Conference would respectfully report:

1. Two conferences—Northeast and Southwest—held meetings during the month of May, 1905.

2. The Northwest Conference had no meeting, on account of the absence of a number of pastors at the proper time.

3. The members of the Southwest Conference urge vigorously that their resolution for the redistricting of our synod into conferences be complied with.

We recommend that the synod be redistricted into two conferences, as follows:

Southwest Conference—Abilene, Bunker Hill, Chapman, Emporia, Eureka, Hays City, Hutchinson, Manchester, New Cambria, Oklahoma City, Peabody, Perth, Salina, Wellington, Whitewater.

Northeast Conference—Atchison, Beloit, Effingham, Garnett and Haskell, Glasco, Greenleaf, Jerico, Kansas City, Mo.; Kansas City, Kan.; Lawrence, Minneapolis, Moray, Norcatur, Ottawa, Sedalia, Mo.; St. Joseph, Mo.; Topeka, Vinland, Waterville.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. PUGH,
C. G. NIELSEN,
W. H. SMITH.

Report of Committee on Apportionment.

Your committee respectfully submit the following per capita apportionment:

General Synod	$0 02
Synodical Treasury	08
Home Missions	28
Foreign Missions	25
Church Extension	20
Board of Education	14
Ministerial Education	12
Pastors' Fund	07
Deaconess Board	07
Nachusa Orphans' Home	05
Home for the Aged	05
Western Seminary Endowment	07
Total	$1 40

Respectfully submitted, CHARLES F. WIEST,
J. J. CHAMBERS,
G. B. HANSTINE.

Adopted.
(See Appendix C.)

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions would offer the following:

Inasmuch as it is desirable to perpetuate the memory of the personal sacrifices and noble heroism of those who worked in the cause of Christ in the past, and as it would be impossible to place the first Lutheran church erected in Kansas in a historical society;

Resolved, That this synod take some action looking toward the preservation of the spot upon which the building stands at Valley Falls for the benefit of future generations.

Resolved, Because of their better adaptation to our Lutheran faith and polity, and therefore being more helpful to our pastors in their labors among their young people, that we encourage the organizing of Luther League societies in our churches.

WHEREAS, Satan is still mighty in his defiance of what is virtuous and orderly and righteous;

Resolved, That we reiterate and reaffirm the decided and positive action taken by our synod in past years against Sabbath-breaking, the easy dissolution of the marriage bond and the great evil of intemperance.

We have just had a most delightful and inspiring meeting of synod,

and it is with much pleasure that we note progress in many ways—the increased interest in the well-being of our aged ministers, the widening influence and efficiency of our college and Western Theological Seminary at Atchison, the determination to keep up and increase our standard of benevolence and improvement in other respects; and therefore,

Resolved, That we return to our respective fields refreshed and with a will to put forth stronger and better efforts for enlargement in every department. That we will preach the unsearchable riches of Christ with all the fervor of first love and go in and out among our people with the yearning tenderness and sympathy of true shepherds, and in every way do our utmost for a revival which will change the parched ground into the garden of the Lord and lift up the King into His rightful place of power and beauty in the world.

Resolved, That we extend our hearty thanks to the pastor and members of this church and others who have so kindly entertained us; the choir, the singers and musicians who helped us with their excellent music; those in charge of the Normal School; the newspapers for their liberal notices of our proceedings, and all who have contributed to make our sessions so enjoyable and successful.

Respectfully submitted, H. H. HALL,
J. F. CRESSLER.

Moved a reconsideration of the report of the Committee on Sunday schools and Young People's Societies, which provided one evening session of the convention of 1906 to Sunday schools or Young People's Societies, and that two hours be set apart at an afternoon session for the consideration of these important auxiliaries of the Church.

Moved by Rev. H. A. Ott, D. D., that the third evening of Synod be set aside as a missionary evening, and one of the Secretaries make the address.

Moved that the same number of minutes as last year be printed.

Committee on Endowment of Midland College and Western Theological Seminary—Rev. Fuller Bergstresser, Rev. E. E. Stauffer, Mr. J. H. Berlin.

Minutes were finally read and approved.

Adjourned with prayer.

FRIDAY EVENING.

On Friday evening a sermon on "The Christian Ministry" was delivered by the Rev. C. E. Wirick, and Frederick R. Shirck, of the Senior Class of the Western Theological Seminary was licensed to preach the gospel.

EZRA E. STAUFFER,
Secretary.

MINISTERIUM.

FRIDAY, 4:15 P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. F. D. Altman, D. D.

Report of Examining Committee.

There appeared before your committee two brethren asking for admission to our synod:

1. Mr. Fred. R. Shirck, a graduate of Midland College and now a member of the senior class of the Western Theological Seminary.

The committee having assured itself of Mr. Shirck's fitness, would recommend him for licensure at this meeting of synod for one year.

2. Rev. J. Hume Dobbyn, Ph. D., an Episcopal clergyman, has given the committee good and sufficient reasons for entering the Lutheran ministry, and has afforded information definite and satisfactory upon important matters of inquiry, showing that he has proper knowledge of our confession of faith and church polity, and that he would conform his teaching to the requirements of our body. There are some matters, however, upon which the committee is not fully informed and which demand a little further investigation before a definite action would be advisable.

We would recommend that the application of Dr. Dobbyn be left with the Examining Committee and the president of synod, with

authority to grant licensure until next meeting of synod if the way is perfectly clear.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ALTMAN,
J. HOWARD STOUGH,
R. B. WOLF,
C. E. WIRICK.

Considered item by item.

Adopted.

Closed with prayer by Rev. C. E. Wirick.

EZRA E. STAUFFER,
Secretary.

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

FRIDAY, 5 P. M.

The Board held a meeting Friday, October 20th, 5 p. m. Rev. R. B. Wolf was elected President of the Board, and Rev. E. E. Stauffer, Secretary.

The Secretary was instructed to secure a satisfactory bond from the newly-elected Treasurer, and attend to the proper qualifying of the newly-elected members of the Board.

Adjourned.

E. E. STAUFFER,
Secretary.

APPENDIX A.—Report of Treasurer of Kansas Synod, October 17, 1905.

Place.	Congregations.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	No.
Abilene	Trinity	$5 55	$18 50	$51 80	$49 50	$37 00	$29 60	$22 20	1
Atchison	St. Mark's	5 05	16 90	47 30	33 80	33 80	37 05	20 30	2
Barnes	Messiah	.....	.....	2 00	2 05	.....	.....	.....	3
Beloit	Zion	1 80	3 00	22 97	18 04	12 00	10 00	7 20	4
Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	5
Bunker Hill	Excelsior	1 35	11 45	12 60	9 00	9 00	7 20	7 20	6
Chapman	Ebenezer	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 44	4 80	3 60	7
Chapman	Scherer Memorial	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 42	4 80	3 60	8
Effingham	.....	.....	.....	17 10	4 80	12 20	9 75	7 30	9
Emporia	St. Mark's	3 35	11 10	31 10	26 99	22 20	17 75	13 30	10
Eureka	Christ's	2 25	7 50	20 50	15 00	15 00	11 70	9 00	11
Garnett	St. Paul's	75	2 50	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	12
Glasco	St. Paul's	1 35	5 00	18 77	16 09	7 00	11 65	10 20	13
Greenleaf	Trinity	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	2 17	14
Haskell	Grace	30	2 20	2 80	2 00	2 00	1 60	1 20	15
Hays City	Trinity	2 15	7 20	20 20	15 00	14 40	.....	8 65	16
Hutchinson	Zion	.....	.....	10 57	12 40	9 62	12 20	3 83	17
Kansas City, Mo.	First	8 90	11 70	41 15	30 00	35 15	19 70	7 65	18
Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memorial	.....	5 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	5 00	3 25	19
Kansas City, Mo.	Grace	2 50	5 00	10 00	.....	10 00	10 00	5 60	20
Kansas City, Kan.	First	.....	2 60	11 50	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	21
Lawrence	.....	4 35	14 50	46 82	47 42	32 12	26 48	17 52	22
Manchester	St. Paul's	50	1 00	5 60	4 00	6 70	3 20	2 50	23
Minneapolis	St. John's	.....	.....	5 00	.....	4 47	.....	.....	24
Moray	.....	2 95	9 90	27 70	19 81	19 80	15 85	11 90	25
New Cambria	First	1 70	4 95	20 50	14 97	12 31	12 00	10 43	26
New Cambria	St. Paul's	70	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	27
Norcatur	St. Mark's	.....	.....	6 33	8 36	10 00	.....	.....	28
Oklahoma City, Okla.	.....	1 45	4 80	13 73	9 60	14 45	8 00	5 75	29
Ottawa	St. Paul's	1 38	4 50	13 25	9 87	9 00	7 20	5 40	30
Peabody	St. Paul's	5 70	19 00	53 20	38 00	38 00	30 40	22 80	31

Treasurer's Report—*Continued.*

No.	Pastors' Fund.	Nachusa Orphanage.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Total Paid on Apportionment.	Amount Apportioned.	Excess over Apportionment.	Deficit Under Apportionment.	Twentieth Century Oklahoma Mission.	Midland College Library.	Tressler Orphans' Home.	Grand Total.
1	$12 95	$9 25	$12 30	$9 25	$257 90	$246 05	$11 05	.....	$10 00	.....	.....	$267 90
2	10 10	10 20	11 85	8 45	234 80	224 80	10 00	.....	15 00	$8 97	.....	258 77
3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 05	22 60	.....	$18 55	.....	.....	.....	4 05
4	1 20	3 00	1 20	.....	80 41	79 80	61	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 41
5	2 10	.....	1 50	1 70	38 00	39 90	.....	1 90	.....	.....	.....	38 00
6	3 15	2 25	3 15	2 25	68 60	59 85	8 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	68 60
7	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	40 34	39 90	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 34
8	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	40 32	39 90	42	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 32
9	.....	1 51	.....	.....	52 66	81 10	.....	28 44	.....	.....	.....	52 66
10	7 75	5 55	7 75	5 55	152 39	147 60	4 79	.....	6 00	2 35	.....	160 74
11	5 10	3 65	5 10	3 65	98 45	97 10	1 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	98 45
12	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 25	33 25	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	18 25
13	3 50	5 65	2 00	3 68	84 89	150 30	.....	65 41	.....	.....	.....	84 89
14	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 17	59 85	.....	51 68	.....	.....	.....	8 17
15	70	50	70	50	14 50	13 30	1 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 50
16	.....	.....	1 10	.....	68 70	95 75	.....	27 05	5 00	.....	.....	73 70
17	.....	4 26	.....	.....	52 88	65 20	.....	12 32	8 00	.....	.....	60 88
18	.....	.....	.....	.....	154 25	195 50	.....	41 25	.....	.....	.....	154 25
19	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 25	94 40	.....	51 15	.....	.....	.....	43 25
20	5 00	.....	.....	.....	48 10	203 55	.....	155 45	.....	.....	.....	48 10
21	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 10	66 50	.....	40 40	.....	.....	.....	26 10
22	10 15	8 23	10 15	7 25	224 99	192 85	32 14	.....	10 00	.....	.....	234 99
23	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	26 50	25 30	1 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 50
24	.....	2 45	.....	.....	11 92	65 20	.....	53 28	.....	.....	.....	11 92
25	6 95	4 95	6 95	4 95	131 71	131 70	01	.....	10 00	.....	.....	141 71
26	4 30	3 64	4 87	1 05	90 72	99 75	.....	9 03	5 00	.....	.....	95 72
27	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	8 70	42 55	.....	33 85	.....	.....	.....	8 70
28	.....	8 00	.....	.....	32 69	57 20	.....	24 51	.....	.....	.....	32 69
29	3 35	2 40	3 35	2 40	69 28	63 85	5 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	69 28
30	3 15	2 25	3 15	2 25	61 40	59 85	1 55	.....	5 00	.....	.....	66 40
31	13 30	25 56	13 30	9 50	268 76	252 70	16 06	.....	10 00	.....	$25 00	303 76

Treasurer's Report.—*Continued.*

Place.	Congregations.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	No.
Perth	St. James'	$2 60	$8 70	$28 10	$19 70	$17 45	$13 90	$10 45	32
Salina	St. John's	5 35	10 00	10 84	18 35	20 60	29 15	21 35	33
Sedalia, Mo	Trinity	1 85	6 20	17 35	12 40	12 40	9 90	7 45	34
St. Joseph, Mo	First	5 30	.....	49 55	35 00	35 40	28 30	21 25	35
Near Abilene	St. James'	.....	.....	2 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	36
Topeka	.....	5 80	20 00	60 63	40 00	44 00	35 00	26 20	37
Valley Falls	St. Paul's	.....	.....	8 81	5 76	8 40	.....	5 05	38
Vinland	St. John's	.....	50	2 00	.....	.....	.....	1 00	39
Waterville	Evangelical	3 85	12 90	29 60	21 55	15 55	20 65	15 50	40
Waterville	Walnut Twp	2 05	6 90	19 30	13 00	10 00	11 05	8 30	41
Waterville	Hebron	80	2 60	7 30	5 20	5 20	4 15	3 10	42
Wellington	St. John's	1 80	10 21	16 80	12 00	12 00	9 60	7 20	43
Whitewater	Zion.	2 65	8 80	13 93	77 60	10 45	6 50	18 15	44
Rev. Samuel Palmer	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	45
Rev. B. F. Pugh	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
A. M. Ricklefs	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47
A Friend	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48
J. H. Berlin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	49
Miss Anna Leidigh	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
J. H. Stough	.....	.....	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	1 00	51
Totals	.....	$88 78	$267 11	$832 04	$678 26	$598 53	$472 93	$366 15	52
Balance on hand Oct. 15, 1904	.....	83 04	148 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	116 61	53
Totals	.....	171 82	415 19	832 04	678 26	598 53	472 93	482 76	54
Disbursements	.....	171 82	245 52	832 04	678 26	598 53	472 93	325 00	55
Balance on hand Oct. 17, 1905	.....	.....	169 67	.....	.....	.....	.....	157 76	56

Treasurer's Report.—*Concluded.*

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No.	Pastors' Fund.	Nachusa Orphanage.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Total paid on Apportionment.	Amount Apportioned.	Excess over Apportionment.	Deficit under Apportionment.	Twentieth Century Oklahoma Mission.	Midland College Library.	Tressler Orphans' Home.	Grand Total.
32	$6 10	$4 50	$6 10	$4 50	$122 10	$115 70	$6 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	$122 10
33	2 10	.....	.....	.....	117 74	236 75	.....	$119 01	.....	.....	.....	117 74
34	4 85	3 10	4 35	3 10	82 95	82 45	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	82 95
35	.....	.....	.....	.....	174 80	235 40	.....	60 60	.....	$4 25	.....	179 05
36	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 14	37 25	.....	35 11	.....	.....	.....	2 14
37	14 00	5 37	8 22	7 00	266 22	266 00	22	.....	.....	.....	.....	266 22
38	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 02	55 85	.....	27 83	.....	.....	.....	28 02
39	50	50	75	.....	5 25	33 25	.....	28 00	.....	.....	.....	5 25
40	2 20	8 75	2 20	1 00	133 75	171 60	.....	37 85	$2 80	1 20	.....	137 75
41	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 60	91 80	.....	21 20	5 00	.....	.....	75 60
42	1 80	1 30	1 80	1 30	34 55	34 55	.....	.....	2 20	1 00	.....	37 75
43	4 20	3 00	4 20	3 00	84 01	79 80	4 21	.....	10 00	.....	.....	94 01
44	6 15	10 50	6 15	4 40	165 28	117 05	48 23	.....	10 00	.....	.....	175 28
45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00
47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00
48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	5 00
49	25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00
50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	10 00
51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
52	$166 85	$144 32	$126 39	$90 73	$3801 09	$4604 60	$154 56	$958 87	$136 00	$17 77	$25 00	$4010 86
53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	347 73
54	166 85	144 32	126 39	90 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	136 00	17 77	25 00	4358 59
55	166 85	144 32	126 39	90 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	136 00	17 77	25 00	4031 16
56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	327 43

After the books were closed remittances were received from Salina of $132.81, and from St. Joseph of $76.38, which more than pays their apportionment.

Fraternally submitted, —H. L. HUMPHREY, *Treasurer.*

Adopted.

APPENDIX B.—PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

Pastors' Names.	Pastorates.	Congregations, Names of.	Parochial. Churches.	Stations.	Prayer Meetings.	Students for Ministry.	Catechumens.	Losses. Death.	Certificate.	Other Losses.	Accessions. Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmations.	Certificate.	Restoration.	Communicant Members.	Confirmed Members.	Baptized Members.	Finances. Estimated Value of Church Property.	Indebtedness.	Local Expenses for all Objects.	Index No. See line with corresponding No. on page below.
Fuller Bergstresser	Abilene	Trinity	1	..	2	..	18	4	9	7	1	6	3	15	1	190	275	375	$12000 00	.....	$2851 00	1
A. E. Renn	Atchison	St. Mark's	1	..	2	5	..	2	4	28	2	1	2	3	1	142	175	206	7000 00	.....	1510 62	2
C. G. Nielsen	Beloit	Zion	1	1	1	..	10	2	4	...	3	..	2	..	..	56	110	160	6000 00	$200 00	540 00	3
Vacant	Bunker Hill Charge	Zion	1	..	..	..	..	1	...	...	3	1	..	..	..	30	40	45	2000 00	400 00	130 05	4
		Excelsior	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	13	...	..	..	..	..	32	42	50	2000 00	.....	244 27	5
H. H. Hall	Chapman Charge	Scherer Memorial	1	..	1	..	..	..	...	10	2	3	9	9	..	41	60	70	2500 00	300 00	275 00	6
		Ebenezer	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	4	...	2	1	1	..	36	30	40	1500 00	.....	247 00	7
J. M. Herbst	Effingham Charge	First Luth., Effingham	1	..	2	..	..	3	1	6	5	7	5	..	1	64	80	93	1500 00	.....	591 40	8
		St. Paul's (Valley Fall)	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	6	...	..	..	..	..	36	59	72	2000 00	1490 00	274 40	9
Henry Zimmerman	Emporia	St. Mark's	1	..	2	..	7	..	3	11	5	..	6	..	..	103	115	162	13500 00	2100 00	1250 62	10
D. H. Kramer	Eureka	Christ	1	..	1	..	8	2	...	...	...	..	2	1	..	74	74	89	7500 00	.....	885 74	11
Greenleaf,* Vacant.	Greenleaf Charge	Trinity	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	45	45	45	2500 00	.....	.....	12
		Messiah (Barnes)	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	17	17	17	1500 00	.....	.....	13
R. P. Schimmelpfenning	Glasco	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	13	..	2	2	6	..	11	..	..	120	120	180	5000 00	.....	950 00	14
Vacant	Garnett	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	25	25	25	5200 00	1300 00	126 00	15
Vacant	Haskell	Grace	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	5	19	15	15	50 00	.....	30 00	16
Charles Fisher Weist	Hays City	Trinity	1	..	2	..	7	..	...	1	12	1	4	..	..	76	100	133	10000 00	1000 00	807 52	17
J. Kent Rizer	Hutchinson	Zion	1	..	2	..	..	..	2	3	...	..	5	2	..	51	70	80	5000 00	1512 40	564 93	18
Jerico,* Vacant	Jerico, Mo., Charge	Bethel	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	18	18	18	300 00	.....	.....	19
		St. James	1	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	...	..	..	..	..	30	30	30	800 00	.....	.....	20
John A. M. Ziegler	Kansas City, Mo.	First	1	..	1	1	25	3	1	30	6	9	11	6	1	140	140	175	50000 00	.....	26448 28	21

* No report. Figures from Synodical Treasurer.

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1	1	21	181	$188 57	$89 62	45	$21 76	$28 00	$5 55	$18 50	$61 80	$49 50	$37 00	$29 60	$22 20	$103 90	$12 95	$9 25	$12 30	$9 25	$25 00	$396 80	$3247 80
2	1	22	158	160 91	37 69	35	16 00	5 00	5 05	16 90	47 30	33 80	33 80	27 05	20 30	84 17	11 85	10 20	11 85	8 45	72 00	382 72	1893 34
3	1	11	68	14 00	7 00	17	.....	.....	1 80	3 00	21 80	18 00	12 00	10 00	7 20	.....	1 20	3 00	1 20	.....	2 00	82 20	622 20
4	1	12	85	56 21	.....	....	.....	.....	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 00	4 80	3 60	.....	2 10	.....	1 50	1 70	.....	38 00	168 05
5	1	13	55	60 42	.....	....	.....	.....	1 35	11 45	12 60	9 00	9 00	7 20	7 20	.....	3 15	2 25	3 15	2 25	.....	68 60	312 87
6	1	9	55	20 00	4 44	12	.....	.....	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 32	4 80	3 60	.....	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	.....	40 22	315 22
7	1	6	30	15 00	.....	....	.....	.....	90	3 00	8 40	6 00	6 44	4 80	3 60	.....	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	.....	40 34	287 34
8	1	10	51	24 72	4 50	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	17 10	4 80	12 20	9 75	7 30	.....	.....	1 51	.....	.....	.....	52 66	644 06
9	1	7	40	35 00	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 81	5 76	8 40	.....	5 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 02	302 42
10	1	20	100	89 48	60 41	25	9 75	5 00	3 35	11 10	31 10	40 49	22 20	17 75	13 30	104 21	7 75	5 55	7 75	5 55	11 35	281 45	1532 07
11	1	8	63	45 51	28 59	....	.....	.....	2 25	7 50	20 50	15 00	15 00	11 70	9 00	56 50	5 10	3 65	5 10	3 65	.....	154 95	1040 69
12	1	11	50	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	2 00	2 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 17	8 17
13	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 05	4 05
14	1	13	85	77 00	33 71	....	.....	.....	1 35	5 00	18 77	16 09	7 00	11 65	10 20	.....	3 50	5 65	2 00	3 68	5 00	89 89	1039 89
15	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	75	2 50	7 00	.....	5 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18 25	144 25
16	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 80	2 00	2 00	1 60	1 20	.....	70	50	70	50	30 00	42 00	72 00
17	1	10	50	50 12	13 27	35	7 50	5 00	2 15	7 20	20 20	15 00	14 40	.....	8 65	.....	.....	.....	1 10	.....	5 00	73 70	881 22
18	1	10	55	36 50	4 28	15	26 03	4 35	.....	.....	12 56	8 92	10 20	7 20	3 85	37 50	.....	4 28	.....	.....	18 00	103 51	667 44
19	1	12	30	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
20	....	....	....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
21	1	20	130	257 85	28 25	45	112 38	.....	4 40	9 70	41 15	30 00	29 40	19 70	7 65	45 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 00	197 00	26645 28

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A. B. Shrader	Kansas City, Mo.	Children's Memor'l	1	..	2	1	10	....	1	9	....	..	7	13	5	86	100	126	$20000 00	$5500 00	$1400 00	22
J. M. Cromer	Kansas City, Mo.	Grace	1	..	2	..	10	1	4	12	4	..	16	3	..	140	140	141	6300 00	3000 00	5300 00	23
R. B. Wolf	Kansas City, Kan.	Trinity	1	..	2	..	5	1	1	..	7	4	2	5	..	59	61	96	12000 00	2850 00	826 87	24
E. E. Stauffer	Lawrence	Eng. Luth.	1	1	2	..	12	3	2	13	9	8	10	16	..	156	172	223	9000 00	1500 00	2784 70	25
J. N. Zimmer (Abilene)	Manchester	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	1	....	..	..	..	..	18	18	18	2000 00	300 00	135 00	26
Minneapolis	Minneapolis Charge	St. Paul's *	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	13	....	..	..	..	..	10	10	10	5000 00	150 00	115 00	27
(Vacant)		St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	9	1	..	..	..	..	40	40	40	.....	.....	68 00	28
F. D. Altman	Moray	Evan. Luth.	1	..	..	..	..	1	....	9	4	1	1	2	..	93	107	153	3000 00	.....	507 11	29
J. F. Cressler	New Cambria Charge	First English	1	..	2	..	..	1	....	2	6	..	..	..	..	72	90	96	4500 00	450 00	512 42	30
		St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	2	....	..	..	..	..	30	32	32	1000 00	.....	10 00	31
M. F. Rinker	Norcatur Charge	St. Mark's	1	..	1	..	..	....	....	..	....	..	..	..	..	43	43	43	2500 00	.....	202 00	32
		St. Paul's, Long Island	1	..	..	..	..	....	....	..	....	..	..	..	..	38	38	38	1200 00	.....	72 50	33
Wm. Kelly	Oklahoma City, Okla.	First Eng.	1	..	1	..	7	2	1	1	1	1	3	4	7	59	59	76	5000 00	2500 00	900 97	34
C. W. Sifferd	Ottawa	St. Paul's	1	..	2	..	20	1	1	4	6	1	6	7	4	57	57	80	12000 00	400 00	1200 00	35
T. P. Skovgard	Peabody	St. Paul's	1	..	1	1	18	2	7	7	3	..	4	2	8	188	200	240	6500 00	.....	904 74	36
J. J. Chambers	Perth	St. James	1	..	2	..	15	1	6	..	2	..	3	3	..	86	98	118	2500 00	.....	862 05	37
C. E. Wirick	Salina †	St. John's	1	..	2	..	15	....	5	6	3	1	5	1	..	174	174	203	15000 00	.....	1100 00	38
S. M. Lesher	Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1	1	1	..	9	....	3	6	2	1	6	..	6	66	105	160	8000 00	2800 00	803 53	39
St. James (Vacant)	St. James (near Abilene)	St. James	1	..	..	..	..	....	4	4	....	..	..	..	..	20	20	20	2000 00	.....	25 50	40

* No report. Figures from Synodical Treasurer. † $16.30 additional benevolence reported at Synod.

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22	1	10	73	$115 00	$6 00	8	.....	.....	.....	$5 00	$16 00	$5 00	$10 00	$5 00	$3 25	$10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$54 25	$1454 25
23	1	19	125	600 00	.....	20	.....	.....	$2 50	5 00	10 00	.....	10 00	10 00	5 60	.....	$5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 10	5348 10
24	1	8	40	44 00	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	2 00	10 00	7 50	6 00	.....	.....	37 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 30	890 17
25	1	21	221	296 62	56 03	26	$62 00	$10 00	4 35	14 50	46 82	35 42	32 12	26 48	17 52	86 78	10 15	$8 23	$10 15	$7 25	$22 00	321 77	3106 47
26	1	4	40	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	1 00	5 60	4 00	6 70	3 20	2 50	.....	2 00	1 00	.....	.....	.....	26 50	161 50
27	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	115 00
28	1	4	45	30 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	.....	4 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 45	.....	.....	.....	11 92	99 92
29	1	9	70	9 22	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 95	9 90	27 70	19 81	19 80	15 85	11 90	65 35	6 95	4 95	6 95	4 95	10 00	207 06	714 17
30	1	15	75	44 72	.....	37	56 70	6 00	1 51	4 00	18 10	13 10	11 20	12 00	9 00	.....	3 00	3 64	3 00	1 05	6 00	85 60	598 02
31	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	.....	1 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	8 70	18 70
32	1	6	61	26 82	7 62	28	2 25	.....	.....	.....	6 33	4 91	5 83	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 02	.....	.....	24 95	50 04	252 04
33	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72 50
34	1	13	47	13 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....	1 45	4 80	13 73	9 60	14 45	8 00	5 75	38 90	3 35	2 40	3 35	2 40	120 00	228 18	1129 15
35	1	15	95	45 00	50 00	.....	50 00	.....	1 38	4 50	18 25	9 87	9 00	7 20	5 40	33 35	3 15	2 25	3 15	2 25	.....	99 75	1290 75
36	1	17	98	53 98	81 95	.....	.....	.....	5 70	19 00	53 20	38 00	38 00	30 40	22 80	109 07	15 30	25 56	13 30	9 50	140 00	517 83	1512 57
37	1	27	113	49 10	3 00	71	5 00	.....	2 60	8 70	28 10	19 70	17 45	13 90	10 45	34 87	6 10	4 50	6 10	4 50	44 00	200 97	1063 02
38	1	26	210	68 70	90 00	20	.....	15 00	5 35	.....	49 85	46 95	35 60	[illegible]	21 35	76 06	.....	8 90	.....	.....	.....	272 56	1372 56
39	1	11	65	86 28	36 63	18	38 65	.....	1 85	6 20	17 85	12 40	12 40	9 90	7 45	.....	4 35	3 10	4 35	3 10	5 00	87 95	891 48
40	1	4	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 14	27 64

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Benj. R. Lantz	St. Joseph, Mo.	First English	1	..	2	..	13	1	4	..	6	4	16	9	12	212	270	315	$15000 00	$3600 00	$2057 00	41
H. A. Ott	Topeka	First Lutheran	1	1	2	..	20	6	6	6	5	3	8	7	2	202	213	285	16000 00	.....	3570 00	42
B. F. Pugh, Ottawa	Vinland	St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	10	25	25	1500 00	.....	.....	43
I. B. Heisey	Waterville Charge	Evan. Lutheran	1	..	1	3	15	..	2	7	2	1	8	2	2	133	147	184	4000 00	.....	500 00	44
		Hebron	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	26	30	55	2500 00	.....	150 00	45
Whitewater, Vacant		English Evan. Luth.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	9	1	..	..	..	..	60	69	88	2500 00	.....	125 00	46
Wellington,* Vacant	Whitewater	Zion	1	..	2	..	..	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	..	86	96	105	2300 00	100 00	536 35	47
	Wellington	St. John's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	60	60	4800 00	300 00	.....	48
Totals for 1905			48	4	44	11	257	38	75	256	110	50	157	111	55	3564	4114	5110	303950 00	31752 40	62315 57	49
Totals for 1904			48	3	42	5	252	42	81	220	134	54	164	107	22	3560	....	4453	290200 00	27180 77	48513 14	50
Increase			..	1	2	6	5	..	..	36	..	..	..	4	33	4	....	....	13750 00	4571 63	13802 43	51
Decrease			..	..	..	..	..	4	6	..	24	4	7	..	..	..	..	..	.....	.....	.....	52

* No report. Figures from Synodical Treasurer.

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41	1	22	129	$139 62	$81 40	25	$60 54	.....	$5 20	$17 70	$49 55	$35 40	$45 40	$28 30	$21 25	.....	$12 40	$19 00	$12 40	$8 85	$29 88	$275 43	$2342 43
42	1	25	150	131 20	20 00	20	20 00	$50 00	5 80	20 00	60 00	40 00	44 00	35 00	26 20	$66 00	14 00	5 37	8 00	7 00	75 00	406 37	3776 37
43	..	...	...	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	50	2 00	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	50	50	75	.....	.....	5 25	5 25
44	1	17	116	52 05	31 20	25	10 00	.....	3 85	12 90	29 60	21 55	15 55	20 65	15 50	50 55	2 20	8 75	2 20	1 00	2 80	196 10	696 10
45	..	...	...	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	80	1 70	7 30	5 20	5 20	4 15	3 10	28 00	1 80	1 30	1 80	1 30	2 20	63 85	213 85
46	..	...	...	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	2 05	6 90	19 30	13 00	10 00	11 05	8 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	75 60	200 60
47	1	15	128	45 00	26 76	23	4 00	.....	2 65	8 80	13 93	77 60	10 45	14 10	10 55	30 45	6 15	10 50	6 15	4 40	70 00	265 73	802 08
48	1	9	35	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	1 80	10 21	26 89	12 00	12 00	9 60	7 20	.....	4 20	3 00	4 20	3 00	10 00	94 01	94 01
49	38	517	3239	2506 60	812 35	570	592 56	128 35	85 79	266 76	893 84	700 42	602 98	464 88	355 14	1106 86	152 10	172 26	136 70	99 58	745 18	5770 47	68086 06
50	40	528	3202	2390 28	882 55	608	644 98	73 55	79 65	243 00	879 22	609 39	583 63	470 69	305 96	1006 08	148 75	208 10	138 08	97 30	713 85	5519 33	52935 81
51	..	...	...	206 32	.....	62	.....	54 89	4 14	23 76	14 62	91 03	19 35	.....	49 18	100 78	3 35	.....	.....	2 28	31 33	251 14	15150 25
52	2	11	23	.....	70 20	....	142 42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 81	.....	.....	.....	35 84	1 38	.....	.....	.....	.....

Respectfully submitted, FULLER BERGSTRESSER.

APPENDIX C.—Apportionment Table.

Congregations and Charges.	Membership.	General Synod Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Orphans' Home.	Deaconess Board.	Home for the Aged.	Western Sem. Endowment.	Totals.
Per capita	...	.02	.08	.28	.25	.20	.14	.12	.07	.05	.07	.05	.07	$1 40
Abilene, Trinity	190	$3 80	$15 20	$53 20	$47 50	$38 00	$26 60	$22 80	$13 30	$9 50	$13 30	$9 50	$13 30	266 00
Atchison, St. Mark's	142	2 85	11 35	39 75	35 50	28 40	19 90	17 05	9 95	7 10	9 95	7 10	9 95	198 85
Beloit, Zion's	56	1 15	4 50	15 70	14 00	11 20	7 85	6 75	3 95	2 80	3 95	2 80	3 95	78 60
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion	30	60	2 40	8 40	7 50	6 00	4 20	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	2 10	42 00
Bunker Hill, Excelsior	32	65	2 55	8 95	8 00	6 40	4 50	3 85	2 25	1 60	2 25	1 60	2 25	44 85
Chapman, Ebenezer	30	60	2 40	8 40	7 50	6 00	4 20	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	2 10	42 00
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	41	85	3 30	11 50	10 25	8 20	5 75	4 95	2 90	2 05	2 90	2 05	2 90	57 60
Effingham, First Lutheran	64	1 30	5 15	17 95	16 00	12 80	8 95	7 70	4 50	3 20	4 50	3 20	4 50	89 75
Effingham (Valley Falls), St. Paul's	36	75	2 90	10 10	9 00	7 20	5 05	4 35	2 55	1 80	2 55	1 80	2 55	50 60
Emporia, St. Mark's	103	2 05	8 25	28 85	25 75	20 60	14 45	12 35	7 20	5 15	7 20	5 15	7 20	144 20
Eureka, Christ's	74	1 50	5 95	20 75	18 50	14 80	10 35	8 90	5 20	3 70	5 20	3 70	5 20	103 75
Garnett, St. Paul's	25	50	2 00	7 00	6 25	5 00	3 50	3 00	1 75	1 25	1 75	1 25	1 75	35 00
Glasco, St. Paul's	120	2 40	9 60	33 60	30 00	14 00	16 80	14 40	8 40	6 00	8 40	6 00	8 40	168 00
Greenleaf, Trinity	45	90	3 60	12 60	11 25	9 00	6 30	5 40	3 15	2 25	3 15	2 25	3 15	63 00
Greenleaf (Barnes), Messiah	17	35	1 35	4 75	4 25	3 40	2 40	2 05	1 20	85	1 20	85	1 20	23 85
Haskell, Grace	19	40	1 55	5 35	4 75	3 80	2 65	2 30	1 35	95	1 35	95	1 35	26 75
Hays City, Trinity	76	1 55	6 10	21 30	19 00	15 20	10 65	9 15	5 35	3 80	5 35	3 80	5 35	106 60
Hutchinson, Zion	51	1 05	4 10	14 30	12 75	10 20	7 15	6 15	3 60	2 55	3 60	2 55	3 60	71 60
Jerico, Mo., Bethel	18	35	1 45	5 05	4 50	3 60	2 55	2 15	1 25	90	1 25	90	1 25	25 20
Jerico, Mo., St. James'	30	60	2 40	8 40	7 50	6 00	4 20	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	2 10	42 00
Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran.	140	2 80	11 20	39 20	35 00	28 00	19 60	16 80	9 80	7 00	9 80	7 00	9 80	196 00
Kansas City, Mo., Child'n's Mem.	86	1 75	6 90	24 10	21 50	17 20	12 05	10 35	6 05	4 30	6 05	4 30	6 05	120 60
Kansas City, Mo., Grace	140	2 80	11 20	39 20	35 00	28 00	19 60	16 80	9 80	7 00	9 80	7 00	9 80	196 00
Kansas City, Kan., Trinity	59	1 20	4 75	16 55	14 75	11 80	8 25	7 10	4 15	2 95	4 15	2 95	4 15	82 75
Lawrence, English Lutheran	156	3 15	12 50	43 70	39 00	31 20	21 85	18 75	10 95	7 80	10 95	7 80	10 95	218 60
Manchester, St. Paul's	18	35	1 45	5 05	4 50	3 60	2 55	2 15	1 25	90	1 25	90	1 25	25 20

Apportionment Table —*Concluded.*

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Per capita	...	.02	.08	.28	.25	.20	.14	.12	.07	.05	.07	.05	.07	$1 40
Minneapolis, St. Paul's	10	$0 20	$0 80	$2 80	$2 50	$2 00	$1 40	$1 20	$0 70	$0 50	$0 70	$0 50	$0 70	14 00
Minneapolis, St. John's	40	80	3 20	11 20	10 00	8 00	5 60	4 80	2 80	2 00	2 80	2 00	2 80	56 00
Moray	93	1 85	7 45	26 05	23 25	18 60	13 05	11 15	6 50	4 65	6 50	4 65	6 50	130 20
New Cambria, First Eng. Luth.	72	1 45	5 75	20 15	18 00	14 40	10 10	8 65	5 05	3 60	5 05	3 60	5 05	100 85
New Cambria, St. Paul's	30	60	2 40	8 40	7 50	6 00	4 20	3 60	2 10	1 50	2 10	1 50	2 10	42 00
Norcatur, St. Mark's	43	85	3 45	12 05	10 75	8 60	6 05	5 15	3 00	2 15	3 00	2 15	3 00	60 20
Norcatur (Long Isl'd), St. Paul's.	38	75	3 05	10 65	9 50	7 60	5 35	4 55	2 65	1 90	2 65	1 90	2 65	53 20
Oklahoma City, First Eng. Luth.	59	1 20	4 75	16 55	14 75	11 80	8 25	7 10	4 15	2 95	4 15	2 95	4 15	82 75
Ottawa, St. Paul's	57	1 15	4 55	15 95	14 25	11 40	8 00	6 85	4 00	2 85	4 00	2 85	4 00	79 85
Peabody, St. Paul's	188	3 75	15 05	52 65	47 00	37 60	26 35	22 55	13 15	9 40	13 15	9 40	13 15	263 20
Perth, St. James'	86	1 75	6 90	24 10	21 50	17 20	12 05	10 35	6 05	4 30	6 05	4 30	6 05	120 60
Salina, St. John's	174	3 50	13 95	48 75	43 50	34 80	24 35	20 90	12 20	8 70	12 20	8 70	12 20	243 75
Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	66	1 35	5 30	18 50	16 50	13 20	9 25	7 95	4 65	3 30	4 65	3 30	4 65	92 60
St. James (near Abilene), St. James'	20	40	1 60	5 60	5 00	4 00	2 80	2 40	1 40	1 00	1 40	1 00	1 40	28 00
St. Joseph, Mo., First Eng. Luth.	213	4 25	17 05	59 65	53 25	42 60	29 85	25 55	14 90	10 65	14 90	10 65	14 90	298 20
Topeka, First Lutheran	202	4 05	16 15	56 55	50 50	40 40	28 30	24 25	14 15	10 10	14 15	10 10	14 15	282 85
Vinland, St. John's	10	20	80	2 80	2 50	2 00	1 40	1 20	70	50	70	50	70	14 00
Waterville, Evangelical Lutheran.	133	2 65	10 65	37 25	33 25	26 60	18 65	15 95	9 30	6 65	9 30	6 65	9 30	186 20
Waterville, Hebron	26	55	2 10	7 30	6 50	5 20	3 65	3 15	1 85	1 30	1 85	1 30	1 85	36 60
Waterville (Walnut Twp.), Eng. Lutheran	60	1 20	4 80	16 80	15 00	12 00	8 40	7 20	4 20	3 00	4 20	3 00	4 20	84 00
Wellington, St. John's	60	1 20	4 80	16 80	15 00	12 00	8 40	7 20	4 20	3 00	4 20	3 00	4 20	84 00
Whitewater, Zion's	86	1 75	6 90	24 10	21 50	17 20	12 05	10 35	6 05	4 30	6 05	4 30	6 05	120 60
Total	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4994 00

Respectfully submitted, CHARLES F. WIEST, J. J. CHAMBERS, G. B. HANSTINE.

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Northeast Conference—Mrs. J. P. ADAMS.
Southwest Conference—Miss ANNA LEIDIGH.

AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND DATES OF ORGANIZATION.

Northeast Conference.

Atchison	1885
East Norway	1881
Effingham	1893
Kansas City (First Church)	1884
Kansas City (Memorial)	1884
Kansas City, Kan.	1904
Lawrence	1886
Leavenworth	1892
Ottawa	1885
Topeka	1880

Northwest Conference.

Abilene	1880
Bunker Hill	1898
Hebron	1879
Minneapolis	1895
New Cambria	1888
Salina	1882
Waterville	1879

Southwest Conference.

Emporia	1885
Eureka	1898
Hutchinson	1889
Oklahoma City	1903
Peabody	1885
Perth	1894
Whitewater	1902
Wellington	1889

MINUTES

OF THE

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

SYNOD OF KANSAS,

HELD IN

"THE UPPER ROOM," EMPORIA, KANSAS,

OCTOBER 18 AND 19, 1905.

FIRST SESSION.

The Twenty-fifth Annual Convention of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod convened at Emporia, Kans., Wednesday, October 18th, 1905, at 9 o'clock A. M., in the Assembly Hall known as "The Upper Room" and used by Prof. Iden of the State Normal for a Young Men's Bible-Study Class and reading room.

The following officers were present:

President—Mrs. H. A. Ott, Topeka, Kansas.

Vice-President—N. E. Conference, Mrs. J. P. Adams, Atchison, Kan.

Vice-President—S. W. Conference, Miss Anna Leidigh, Hutchinson, Kan.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. H. L. Humphrey, Abilene, Kan.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. John Hoffer, Emporia, Kan.

Treasurer—Mrs. R. B. Wolf, Kansas City, Kan.

Historian—Mrs. O. J. Peters, Abilene, Kan.

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. Hiram George, of Kansas City, Mo.

The Convention was opened by singing "All hail the power of Jesus' name."

The President, Mrs. H. A. Ott, led in prayer.

Mrs. P. A. Lutt, of Emporia, extended to the delegates and visitors a cordial welcome, to which Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser, of Abilene, responded.

The following delegates presented their credentials at roll-call:

Abilene—Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser.
Atchison—Mrs. A. E. Renn.
Emporia—Mrs. Peter Lutt, Mrs. M. V. Cagney.
Eureka—Mrs. Emma Erickson.
Hutchinson—Mrs. L. Brehm.
Kansas City, Mo.—First, Mrs. Hiram George.
Kansas City, Kan.—Mrs. R. B. Wolf.
Lawrence, Kan.—Mrs. E. E. Stauffer.
Moray, Kan.—Mrs. W. M. Zimmerman.
Oklahoma City, Ok.—Mrs. L. J. Myser.
Ottawa—Mrs. Addie Pugh.
Peabody—Mrs. M. E. Keller.
Perth—Mrs. Mary Mickley.
Salina—Mrs. F. L. Bond.
St. Joseph—Mrs. R. M. Ladwig.
Topeka—Mrs. J. B. Wherfel, Mrs. Belle Bright.
Whitewater—Mrs. G. B. Hanstine.

Young Peoples' Societies.

Kansas City, Kan.—Miss Florence Shipley.

President's Report.

Co-workers in Missionary Endeavor:

The past year seems to have had wings, so quickly have the twelve months flown by, and now again are we face to face in convention for the purpose of taking a retrospective and prospective view of the great work before us. The past year has been one of the most prosperous we have ever had, full of blessing, advance, success and encouragement. I feel particularly fortunate in having had the privilege of leading you through this "Jubilee Year," and for any special success which attaches to it, let us give God the glory. Our historian will tell us the pleasing story of our journey through twenty-five years of consecrated effort, which have turned into our treasury the magnificent sum of over sixteen thousand dollars, and in turn have been a Godsend to our missions and missionaries at home and abroad. I must not anticipate future reports; suffice to say that our receipts at present more than double those of five years ago, and are larger than those of any other year. This is due largely to increased interest in our Thank-offering and Jubilee Funds, and a general rallying to the cry of the past biennium, "Forward." Loyally indeed have all striven to make this anniversary year better than last year, as last year we labored to make it better than the previous year. Could this splendid progression be kept up, how magnificent would be the celebration of our golden jubilee twenty-five years hence! Truly the Lord has done great things for us, and shall we not all rejoice for being counted worthy to be co-laborers with Christ—stewards in a work which ranks with the noblest ever given the children of men to do. It is a pleasure to find two of the charter members of this synodical society still active in our ranks, and especially to have them with us at this convention. Their names are familiar to all—Mrs. J. Schauer and Mrs. Olive J. Peters.

GENERAL SURVEY.

In reviewing the past year's work we find much to encourage us, although there are some discouraging features. Our thank-offerings this year were larger than those of the previous year, and our jubilee offerings, while not quite coming up to what was asked, were very creditable. On the other hand, this activity accounts for some shortcomings along stated lines. For instance, the quarterly reports showed that only eight societies contributed toward "Pasadena;" eleven gave no "Christmas Offering;" two gave no "Synodical Fee;"

three sent no report for the final quarter; and I find the full amount pledged for our "Hospital Bed" was not raised. Some societies sent in money to "Special Objects," however not naming which, thus causing deficits in our regular work. I am pleased to state that ample funds were contributed to pay the expenses of our delegate to the recent biennial convention, and this shows the wisdom of the action taken at our last convention making our annual synodical fee 20 cents per member. This will always enable your officers to meet current expenses and to secure competent speakers for our convention without making a special appeal.

While the work of the various departments is as yet comparatively new, we are glad that we can report some progress. Perhaps more aggressive work has been done in the Thank-offering Department than in any of the others. This work seems to be better understood each year, and we believe is accomplishing its end. We will be glad to hear the report from its secretary later.

We hope to hear in the reports of the delegates just what has been done in all of the departments. The secretaries of the Home Department, the Young People's Department, and the German Department will doubtless have something of interest to tell us—showing that good work has been done along these various lines.

We feel that our greatest need is in the work among our young people and children, and trust that during the sessions of our convention we may devise ways and means of perfecting our work along these lines.

OUR PROGRAM.

The making of our program was considerable of a trial to us. In the first place, many societies were quite slow in appointing their delegates, thus shortening our time; others failed to report at all. Then so many pleaded to be excused, throwing back on our hands a subject for which a speaker had to be sought elsewhere. This explains why some districts have ample representation on the program and others have none. For these reasons we have not been able to present to this convention a program entirely up to our ideal. We are grateful to those who helped us in our distress, and live in the hope that more will be thoughtful in the future. Early in the spring, learning that Miss Jessie Brewer, one of our India missionaries, would be available for the fall conventions of some of the Western synods, your Executive Committee decided to invite her to our convention, appreciating the importance of seeing her face to face and hearing from her own lips the story of her work in the India field. At her suggestion we also planned a few visits for her while enroute

to Emporia among some of our local societies, and we regret that lack of time forbade our making the number larger.

USING OUR TOOLS FAITHFULLY.

Our literature largely comprises our tools with which we inspire interest in our work. While many very profitably use these helpful agencies, some do not. I regret exceedingly that so few are taking the splendid course of reading outlines by the General Literature Committee. It appears that only two societies ordered, through our committee, "Dux Christus," the highly interesting hand-book on Japan for the past year. Is it possible that so few are taking up this systematic and interesting course of reading? For the coming year "Christus Liberator," an elegant study of the Dark Continent, is the volume recommended. Every society ought to have this book and study it during the year. It will bear on our African mission, among others, and costs only 25 cents in paper. Then every society ought to own Mrs. Harpster's new book, "Among the Telugoos." In this way a missionary library is soon formed. We are glad that the prospects are so bright for a Woman's Magazine, devoted exclusively to our work, and when it is issued we are sure you will all want it.

NEW SOCIETIES.

A new society was organized recently at St. Joseph, Mo., in the First English Lutheran church, Rev. B. R. Lantz, pastor, consisting of nine members. This society has splendid home endorsement, for the reason that every member of the church council became an honorary member of it, and with such a good start we predict a successful future for this our youngest child.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' WORK IN CONTRIBUTIONS.

The following exhibit presents the total contributions of the Kansas Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society for the first twenty-five years of its history, compiled from the printed minutes. It does not include box work.

No.	Date.	Place.	Total contributions
1	1880	Lawrence	$25 00
2	1881	Bunker Hill	110 50
3	1882	Salina	219 61
4	1883	Eureka	95 00
5	1884	Topeka	196 61
6	1885	Peabody	205 40
7	1886	Waterville	493 95
8	1887	Abilene	754 55

No.	Date.	Place.	Total contributions.
9	1888	Lawrence	887 63
10	1889	Atchison	1124 63
11	1890	Salina	835 57
12	1891	Emporia	955 82
13	1892	Kansas City (Memorial)	824 88
14	1893	Kansas City (First church)	902 63
15	1894	Topeka	705 37
16	1895	Peabody	760 73
17	1896	Lawrence	698 42
18	1897	Peabody	582 69
19	1898	Hutchinson	646 40
20	1899	Atchison	649 46
21	1900	Waterville	626 45
22	1901	Wellington	568 00
23	1902	Salina	651 94
24	1903	St. Joseph	666 68
25	1904	Eureka	968 76
26	1905	Emporia	1157 21
		Grand total	$16305 44

In 1889 Denver belonged to this synod and several other societies now defunct. The same year witnessed several large personal gifts. Deducting these I find this year's work will easily equal that of any previous year in average contributions. For all this let us thank God and take courage.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

1. An executive session was held at the close of the last convention, at which time the bills of the year were ordered paid. Finding that there were not funds sufficient to meet the traveling expenses of Mrs. K. B. Shaffer, Ph. D., it was decided to ask each society for a contribution of 75 cents. The response easily liquidated the debt.

2. We have sent out four circular letters, in which we sought to direct the societies along uniform lines of work, to spur up the delinquent, and to encourage the faithful. We have received many appreciative responses to these letters. All told we have written during the year almost two hundred letters and cards.

3. Finding our first vice-president could not attend the spring conference of the eastern district at Lawrence, I consented to take her place, and was kindly given opportunity to present our work. We were delighted to receive the personal assurance of two pastors that they would attempt to effect an organization of a society in their

churches. One of these has done so. This conference invited us to occupy a definite place on the program of its next convention.

4. Mrs. Susan Kistler, our second vice-president, resigned late in the year. I was unable to secure another to take her place, and owing to the lateness of the time, thought best to leave the office vacant until this meeting.

5. Enroute to the General Convention at Springfield, O., I visited our mission at Kansas City, Kan., worshiping with them one Sunday morning. We were greatly pleased at what we saw. The building is ample for our needs for years to come, is finely located, and ministered to by one of our most devoted pastors. It needs some better equipment, and we hope a way will be found for this. The biennial convention was our greatest, the most inspiring I ever attended, of which our delegate will give you a full report.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we recognize the hand of God in the success which has attended our work during the past twenty-five years, and that we consecrate ourselves anew to His service.

2. That we formally adopt the following recommendations of the General Society:

(*a*) That we make the Christmas offering an annual feature of our work.

(*b*) That we observe the second Sunday in May as a day of prayer for missions.

(*c*) That we drop all financial items from the corresponding secretary's reports.

(*d*) That we follow, where it is possible, the United Course of Study.

(*e*) That we adopt as our watchword, "A Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in every congregation."

3. That each delegate make out a calendar for the year, inserting in order the special objects named by our General Society, and keep it prominently before her society during the year. The following might be helpful: First quarter, Immanuel Mission, Philadelphia, Thank-offering. Second quarter, Christmas Offering, Synodical Fee (10c. half). Third quarter, Hospital Bed, some special object. Fourth quarter, Synodical Fee (10c. half), Box Work, Unfinished Work.

4. That we aim to be more thorough in canvassing our churches for new members in all departments of our work, and especially among the young.

5. That more diligence be observed by our vice-presidents in see-

ing that our work is properly presented at each of the three conferences of the synod.

6. That the importance of each auxiliary supplying itself with all needed helps furnished by our Literature Committee be laid upon our local societies. That all be more active in securing subscriptions for our "Journal," "Mission Studies" and "Children's Missionary," and that our general and synodical minutes be read and discussed in our local meetings.

I desire to thank all who have assisted me in carrying this work of love through the year, and especially our accommodating treasurer who kept me posted every quarter as to how well the work of raising funds was being done. I greatly appreciate the sympathy and help of many of our pastors and the kind co-operation of a number of congregations in which as yet there are no societies organized, who have contributed toward our box-work. We ask for the new president a continuation of this thoughtful co-operation.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. LYDIA A. OTT.

Moved and carried that the afternoon sessions begin at 1:30.

Reports of Vice-presidents were given.

Moved and carried that the order of program be changed, and the greetings from other Missionary Societies of Emporia be given, which were as follows:

Christian Church—Mrs. Evans.

First Presbyterian Church—Mrs. Pierce.

First Methodist Church—Mrs. Goodwin.

Moved and carried that Mesdames Evans, Pierce and Goodwin be accepted as Advisory Members of the Convention.

The "Delegates' Hour" was occupied in giving reports of local work and discussing the two questions on the program, "What has the Work been to Me?" and "What has it been to My Church?"

The President appointed the following reporters and Convention committees:

Reporters.

Missionary Journal—Mrs. John Hoffer.

Lutheran World—Mrs. H. L. Humphrey.

Lutheran Observer—Mrs. T. L. Bond.
Lutheran Evangelist—Miss Anna Leidigh.

Convention Committees.

Officers' Reports—Mrs. J. P. Adams, Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser, Mrs. H. Zimmerman.

Resolutions—Mrs. T. L. Bond, Miss Anna Leidigh, Mrs. R. B. Wolf.

Box Work and Literature—Mrs. A. E. Renn, Mrs. J. B. Wherfel, Mrs. L. J. Myser.

Minutes—Mrs. M. E. Keller, Mrs. E. E. Stauffer, Mrs. G. B. Hanstine.

Department Secretary Reports—Mrs. L. Brehm, Mrs. Addie Pugh, Mrs. Hiram George.

Papers—Mrs. M. L. Erickson, Mrs. Peter Lutt, Mrs. M. V. Cagney.

Adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

Devotional service was led by Mrs. L. J. Myser, of Oklahoma City, Okla.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, Western Secretary of the Board of Home Missions, conveyed greetings from the Board to the Convention.

Miss Jessie Brewer, of Guntur, India, was introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. R. M. Ladwig, delegate from the new society at St. Joseph, Mo., was presented to the Society.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of Corresponding Secretary was given by Mrs. John Hoffer. (See page 60.)

Report of Treasurer was given by Mrs. R. B. Wolf. See pages 61, 62.)

Annual Report of Corresponding Secretary for the Year Ending September 30, 1905.

Number.	Woman's Societies.	Organized.	Name and Address of Corresponding Secretaries.	Membership. Total, not including Life Membership.	Active.	Honorary.	Cradle Roll.	Life.	Journals.	Children's Missionary.	Time of Meetings.	Average Attendance.	Presidents.
1	Abilene	1880	Mrs. H. L. Humphrey	27	27	..	..	1	32	....	2d Tuesday	18	Mrs. C. Johntz.
2	Atchison	1885	Mrs. B. O. Running, No. 811 N. 10th St.	28	21	..	7	..	12	....	1st Thursday	10	Mrs. M. F. Troxell.
3	Emporia	1885	Mrs. P. A. Lutt, No. 822 Mechanic St.	29	13	16	..	..	22	....	1st Wednesday	7	Mrs. H. Zimmerman.
4	Eureka	1898	Mrs. Anna Weiser	9	9	..	..	..	11	....	1st Wednesday	6	Mrs. Irma Cramer.
5	Hanover (reorganized)	1903	Mrs. Mary Runge	33	33	..	..	..	...	....	1st Friday	14	Mrs. Mary Pannbacker.
6	Hebron	1897	Mrs. Lura E. Rice, Waterville, R. F. D. No. 1	10	8	2	..	..	10	....	2d Thursday	4	Mrs. Sarah Kistler.
7	Hutchinson	1889	Mrs. Julia A. Little, No. 413 6th Ave.	10	9	..	1	..	11	....	1st Thursday	6	Mrs. J. Kent Riser.
8	Kansas City, Mo., First Church	1884	Mrs. J. A. M. Zeigler, No. 2201 Holmes St.	22	21	..	1	1	15	....	1st Thursday	12	Mrs. H. George.
9	Kansas City, Mo., Memorial	1884	Miss Louise Georges, No. 585 Forest St.	7	7	..	..	1	6	....	2d Sunday	....	Miss Hester Sappenfield.
10	Kansas City, Kan., Trinity	1904	Mrs. R. B. Wolf, No. 718 Tauromee Ave.	14	14	..	..	..	7	....	1st Wednesday	5	Mrs. P. D. Schall.
11	Lawrence	1886	Mrs. Amelia Wolcott, No. 940 Kentucky St.	15	15	..	..	..	10	....	1st Friday	8	Mrs. E. E. Stauffer.
12	Moray	1881	Miss Mary C. Turkleson	20	20	..	..	2	17	....	1st Thursday	15	Mrs. Oscar Nelson.
13	Ottawa	1885	Mrs. Addie Pugh, No. 414 Ash St.	12	9	3	..	..	12	....	1st Wednesday	7	Mrs. C. W. Sifferd.
14	Oklahoma	1903	Mrs. A. Goodholm, No. 211 East 4th St.	14	14	..	..	..	...	....	1st Tuesday	....	Mrs. W. Kelley.
15	Peabody	1885	Mrs. Hattie Brown	27	27	..	..	..	25	25	1st Wednesday	11	Mrs. M. E. Keller.
16	Perth	1889	Mrs. Frank Servis	20	18	2	..	..	12	....	1st Saturday	10	Mrs. J. J. Chambers.
17	Salina	1882	Mrs. M. A. Nothstein	16	16	..	.	2	13	....	2d Thursday	11	Mrs. Alice G. Bond.
18	Topeka	1882	Mrs. Mary Price	24	23	1	..	5	24	20	1st Wednesday	9	Mrs. Lydia A. Ott.
19	Waterville	1879	Miss Ada E. Livers	21	16	5	..	2	13	....	2d Saturday	8	Mrs. I. B. Heisey.
20	Whitewater	1889	Mrs. Minnie Beans, R. R. No. 2	15	15	..	..	..	8	....	2d Wednesday	8	Mrs. D. K. Rice.
21	Wellington	1905	Mrs. Letia Williams	11	9	2	..	..	7	...	1st Saturday	4	Mrs. C. F. Shultz.
22	St. Joseph	1905	Mrs. Hiram Harris	14	9	5	..	..	...	....	.....	....	Mrs. R. M. Ladwig.
	Totals	....	.....	398	253	37	9	16	267	45			
	Young People's Societies.												
1	Atchison (Midland College)	1902	Catherine Long	10	10	..	..	..	...	....	1st Sunday	8	Miss Pearl Treitschke.
2	Kansas City, Kan., King's Daughters.	1904	Miss Minnie Mulder	11	9	2	..	.	...	....	1st Saturday	7	Miss Florence Shipley.
	Totals	....	.....	21	19	2							
	Children's Mission Bands.												
1	Emporia	1894	Hazel Groh	44	36	..	8	..	...	....	2d Sunday	18	Mary Altman.
2	Lawrence	....	Oscar Olson, 919 Alabama St.	85	68	..	17	..	...	....	2d Sunday	27	Otto Eastman.
3	Topeka	....	.....	16	16	..	..	..	...	....	.....	....	Mrs. J. B. Wherfel, Supt.
	Totals	....	.....	145	120	..	25						

Respectfully submitted, NETTIE L. HOFFER, *Synodical Corresponding Secretary.*

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Report of Treasurer W. H. and F. M. Society Kansas Synod, for Synodical Year 1905.

Names of Societies.	General Fund.	Silver Jubilee.	Synodical Fee.	Thank Offering.	Bed in India Hospital.	Girls' School in India.	Emma V. Day School in Africa.	Rogers Park, Chicago.	Santa Barbara, Cal.	Pasadena, Cal.	Immanuel, Phila.		Total.
Miss Laura Korn, Personal	.....	.....	$2 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$2 00
Balance on hand Sept. 30, 1904	.....	$160 93	19 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	180 58
Offering at Eureka	.....	.....	13 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13 44
Abilene	$30 60	26 50	5 80	$18 00	$5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	$2 00	$2 25	.....	90 15
Atchison	23 40	27 00	5 70	12 72	3 00	.....	.....	$1 50	$1 50	2 00	.....	.....	76 82
" Young Ladies	5 50	3 00	2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10 80
" Mission Band	3 32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 32
Emporia	27 45	18 00	3 35	30 34	1 75	.....	.....	1 27	1 28	.....	.....	.....	83 44
" Mission Band	4 94	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 94
Eureka	7 40	9 00	2 55	14 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33 12
Hanover	30 74	.....	2 75	.....	14 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 34
Hebron	12 90	4 31	1 60	6 14	1 60	.....	.....	65	65	80	.....	.....	28 65
Hutchinson	9 80	13 25	2 95	8 66	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	35 66
Kansas City, Mo., First	27 40	10 00	2 95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 35
" " " Memorial	2 61	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 36
Kansas City, Kansas	14 00	10 00	2 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 40
" " " King's Daughters	6 75	3 00	2 05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11 80
Lawrence	16 40	11 55	3 15	8 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39 70
" Mission Band	15 77	3 15	.....	.....	.....	$25 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43 92
Leavenworth	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 00
Moray	24 30	22 00	7 75	6 05	3 00	2 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	5 00	.....	80 10

Report of Treasurer W. H. and F. M. Society.—*Concluded.*

Names of Societies.	General Fund.	Silver Jubilee.	Synodical Fee.	Thank Offering.	Bed in India Hospital.	Girls' School in India.	Emma V. Day School in Africa.	Rogers Park, Chicago.	Santa Barbara, Cal.	Pasadena, Cal.	Immanuel, Phila.		Total.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	$15 25	$14 00	$3 20	$6 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38 70
Ottawa	11 85	7 30	2 15	10 00	$ 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31 80
Peabody	62 55	11 38	5 70	14 09	5 00	.....	$7 10	$1 95	$1 30	.....	.....	.....	109 07
" Mission Band	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00
Perth	11 80	7 00	3 65	6 50	.....	.....	.....	14	13	$2 00	$1 00	.....	32 22
Salina	21 20	20 00	4 75	17 16	3 00	.....	.....	1 10	1 10	3 00	2 00	.....	73 31
" Young People	7 45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 45
Topeka	27 60	11 00	5 35	7 25	3 00	.....	.....	1 15	1 15	1 25	3 00	.....	60 75
" Mission Band	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Waterville	15 60	10 40	3 95	21 50	1 60	3 00	.....	1 00	1 00	1 50	.....	.....	59 55
Wellington	2 05	.....	1 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 55
Whitewater	8 10	.....	2 20	10 00	2 90	.....	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	.....	.....	27 20
Mrs. Ira S. Fleck, Personal	10 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
Int. on Deposit, Jubilee Fund.	.....	2 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 30
Unknown Source, Jubilee Fund.	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
Total Receipts	$463 73	$422 07	113 59	197 43	45 20	$31 00	$9 10	13 76	12 11	16 55	13 25	.....	$1337 79
Remitted to General Treasurer.	463 73	422 07	.....	197 43	45 20	31 00	9 10	13 76	12 11	16 55	13 25	$1224 20	.....
Dispersed on Orders	.....	.....	82 36	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82 36	.....
Balance on hand	.....	.....	$31 23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	$31 23	$1337 79

Respectfully submitted, MRS. R. B. WOLF.

Historian's Report.

With profound thanks to our Heavenly Father, we are permitted to assemble in this the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Kansas Synodical Society. The past year has witnessed cheering progress in our work both at home and abroad. One year may mark great changes in the development of our work, but the recorded events occupy but a small space.

I have added to the historical collection as follows: Minutes of the last convention, and also the minutes of the General Convention at Springfield, Ohio, with programs of same; "Missionary Journal" and "Mission Studies," exchanges of minutes with other synodical societies, memorial sketches of mission workers, and other items of missionary interest. Added to scrap-book.

No new life-members were reported. The number so far reported to the historian is nine. Let there be greater care in reporting and greater effort in increasing the list.

As we pause for a moment and look back over the past twenty-five years we rejoice over the results. One of the organizers is present to-day to testify that the seed sown through the clouds of doubt and indifference has brought forth precious fruit, and by the mercy of our Heavenly Father she has been enabled to see this glad day in the history of our work.

And now we close the record of a quarter of a century and turn down the last page. Like Paul of old, may we take courage, thank God and join our prayers in asking the Lord to show us year by year a better way.

IN MEMORIAM.

On the 14th of August, 1905, Mrs. Carrie Scherer, of the society at Topeka, was summoned from earth to heaven. "She hath done what she could." May her reward be according to the desire of her heart.

"The sweet remembrance of the just
Shall flourish when she sleeps in the dust."

Respectfully submitted, OLIVE J. PETERS.

Greetings from Synod were conveyed by Rev. A. B. Shrader, of Memorial Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Vocal solo, "O dry those Tears," Mrs. A. E. Renn, Atchison, Kan.

Report of Auditing Committee.

The committee appointed to audit the accounts of the treasurer have gone over the reports carefully and found them correct, supported by the proper vouchers.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. J. A. M. ZIEGLER,
MRS. HIRAM GEORGE.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Box-Work.

We, the Box-Work Committee, have solicited from each of the following auxiliaries and beg leave to report success as follows:

Abilene	$4 00
Atchison	7 00
Midland, Young People's Society	1 65
Effingham	1 00
Emporia	12 00
Eureka	2 35
Hutchinson	5 00
Kansas City, Kan.	1 00
Kansas City, Mo., First church	2 50
Lawrence	5 50
Lawrence Mission Band	3 00
Moray	4 00
New Cambria	4 05
Ottawa	1 60
Peabody	9 60
Perth	4 00
Salina	6 00
Topeka	8 50
Waterville	3 00
Whitewater	1 75
Wellington	3 00
Hebron	1 00
Oklahoma City	4 50
Emporia Mission Band	50
Total	$96 50

Respectfully submitted,

MR. J. P. ADAMS,
MRS. S. KISTLER,
MISS A. R. LEIDIGH.

Report of Literature Committee.

Your Committee on Literature beg leave to report as follows:

The work during the year has been encouraging, and we believe blessed of Him whom we serve.

Orders for "Mission Studies" were received from the following societies: Hutchinson (2), Topeka (1), Peabody (1), Emporia (2), Whitewater (1), Salina (2), Abilene (4), Kansas City, First church (1), Ottawa (1), Lawrence (1), Atchison (9), Kansas City, Kan. (7), Waterville (Hebron) (1), Perth (2), Eureka (5)—total 40.

Orders for tracts as follows: Topeka, Abilene, Salina, Lawrence,

Ottawa, Peabody, Kansas City (Kan.), Kansas City (Memorial), Emporia, Hutchison, Perth, Waterville (Hebron), Whitewater—total 13.

While there has been an increase in the subscriptions for "Mission Studies," I regret to say there has been a decrease in the number of tracts heretofore taken. I mailed twenty tracts each month to some of the societies and to congregations not organized, hoping thereby to awaken a deeper interest in our work. I urge the necessity of more individual copies of the "Mission Studies," and also plead for our monthly tract.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts.

Cash on hand October 1st, 1904	$2 27	
By appropriation	5 00	
For sale of literature at Eureka	91	
For 40 "Mission Studies"	10 00	
For 13 tracts	3 25	
For 9 copies "Dux Christus"	2 70	
For 2 sets pictures (Japan Study)	50	
For 2 maps (Japan)	30	
For 27 subscriptions to missionary journals	6 75	
Total		$31 68

Disbursements.

To Miss S. M. Protzman, 40 copies "Mission Studies"	$10 00	
To Miss S. M. Protzman, 13 tracts	3 25	
To Miss S. M. Protzman, literature	4 93	
To Miss S. M. Protzman, 9 "Dux Christus"	2 70	
To the Lutheran Publication Society, 27 subscriptions to the "Missionary Journal"	6 75	
To Miss S. M. Protzman, 2 maps	30	
To Miss S. M. Protzman, 2 sets of pictures	50	
For postage, stationery and postoffice orders	4 08	
Total		$32 51
Leaving a deficit of		$0 83

Respectfully submitted, OLIVE J. PETERS,
Chairman of Literature Committee.

Mrs. H. Zimmerman, Emporia, delegate to Biennial Convention, read her report, which was in part as follows:

Abstract of Mrs. Zimmerman's Report.

The convention was held in the First Lutheran church, which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. The features that first attracted the eye were three mammoth banners—one bearing, in large, well-executed letters in black and red the legend "O Earth, Earth, Earth, hear the Word of the Lord;" another the watchword for the coming biennium, "A Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in every congregation of the General Synod;" the third, "$65,000.00 for Missions in this Biennium."

The convention has been called the greatest because it was the Silver Jubilee Convention, because it marked an epoch in the history of our society, and because it closed a chapter of struggles, achievements and rewards.

From reports, progress has been made by nearly every department. You will find reports written in full in the minutes—read them! They will show you what earnest and united labor will accomplish when done for the Lord. If the plans for advancement made at this convention are to be accomplished, you must help and I must help. If a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society is to be organized in every congregation our General Secretary, Mrs. Helen C. Beegle, formerly of Midland College, Atchison, cannot do it alone. If the $65,000.00 asked for by our Executive Committee is raised we must all give liberally, as we have done in the past. If this new magazine is to be a success, we must all help to make it so by subscribing for it, and thus becoming more intelligent missionary Christians. Our new president and all her helpers must depend upon us for loyal support. Our officers can only be the throne—we must be the power behind the throne.

Let us make the coming biennium of the Kansas Synod the banner biennium. Why not? Let us face the future with renewed courage and zeal; let us ask of God great things and expect from Him great things. Let our motto be (as has been suggested by a prominent worker), "Prayer our privilege; work our responsibility; both combined our duty."

Moved and carried that the hour of adjournment of afternoon session be five o'clock.

Moved and carried that the disposition of the offering of the 25th Anniversary Service, Wednesday evening, be deferred until after the evening service.

The President appointed Mrs. Bond to convey the greetings of the Missionary Society to the Synod.

Symposium; Missionary Enthusiasm.

"What is It and How Aroused?"

Miss Ada Livers, Waterville, Kan.

We regret very much that we are unable to give a synopsis of this paper.

Abstract of Paper on Missionary Enthusiasm.

"How Fed and What it will Lead To."

Mrs. Emma Erickson, Eureka, Kan.

Enthusiasm. This word at once calls to our minds a state of feeling that is very intense. When we think of an enthusiast in any line we think of one who is completely carried away by his love for his particular work. To foster and fully develop this all-important sentiment in the heart of every member of the church should be the aim and desire of every Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

One of the most important is missionary literature. The more we read and study, the more we realize the need of mission work and workers. However, let us not forget the all-important study is that of the Bible, wherein it is plainly taught that, after receiving the blessed gospel into our own hearts and lives, we are to "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The local society should see to it that every member of the congregation receive some missionary literature each month.

The co-operation of the pastor is a very great help. A pastor can do an unlimited amount of good if he will insist upon a missionary society being formed in his congregation.

Let us see what one pastor of a small congregation has done. He had talked and preached and prayed that his church might organize a missionary society. His efforts were of no avail, however, until he called the women of his church together to discuss the missionary problem and to form a society if possible. He urged that some of the tireless energy displayed in their Aid Society should be put into a missionary society. A missionary society was formed and is living to-day.

Let us be earnest, and by our earnestness prove that missionary service is a blessing, in obeying the command of Christ, "If ye love me keep my commandments," and when our work here is fin-

ished may we be able to say, "Father, the work which Thou gavest us to do we have finished."

"We might all do more than we have done
And not be a whit the worse,
It never was loving that emptied the heart
Nor giving that emptied the purse."

A letter from Miss Sue Elizabeth Stoever in regard to organizing Mission Bands was read.

Moved and carried that a telegram of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Rev. J. Schauer, Atchison, Kan.

The President appointed Mrs. Blank, of Emporia, to send telegram to Mrs. Schauer which read as follows:

"Deep sympathy from Woman's Convention, Emporia. Romans viii. 28."

Moved and carried that letters of sympathy be sent to Mrs. J. A. M. Ziegler, Kansas City, Mo., and to Mrs. William Kelly, Oklahoma City, Ok.

After singing "Blest be the tie," the convention was dismissed by Rev. A. E. Renn, D. D., Atchison, Kan.

Twenty-fifth Anniversary Service.

The session was held in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Wednesday evening, Mrs. H. A. Ott, presiding.

The devotional service was conducted by Rev. R. B. Wolf, President of Synod.

A letter of greeting from Mrs. S. S. Waltz, Louisville, Ky., one of the charter members of the Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod, was read. A letter of greeting from Mrs. E. H. Dornblaser, Chicago, another charter member, was received after Convention adjourned.

Mrs. Robert Jones, of Emporia, sang a solo, "The Earth is the Lord's."

Mrs. Olive J. Peters, Abilene, Kan., the only one of the five living charter members of the Missionary Society of Kansas Synod present at this Convention, gave a history of the missionary work of Kansas Synod for the past twenty-five years. Her paper will be printed in "The His-

tory of Lutheranism in Kansas" soon to be published under the direction of Rev. H. A. Ott, D. D.

Mrs. Ott then introduced Miss Jessie Brewer, for eleven years Missionary to India, who gave an account of our work in hospital and school in that country.

Rev. L. P. Ludden, Western Secretary of Board of Home Missions, reviewed the needs of the work in the Home Mission field.

During the offering, which amounted to $42.05, Mr. Schrader rendered a cornet solo.

After singing "Ein Feste Berg," the meeting was dismissed by Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., of Atchison.

THIRD SESSION.

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. E. M. Keller, of Peabody.

Minutes read and approved.

Rev. C. W. Sifferd, D. D., of Ottawa, and Mr. Charles Vickrie addressed the Convention.

Reports of Department Secretaries were given as follows:

Home Department.

Our Home Department work is a little like the condition a pastor found his church membership in—all very willing to adopt his plan of work, indicating a willingness to help to pull. By and by the load grew heavy. As he looked to see how many were pulling, to his astonishment he found all were riding.

I have been impressed with the thought that in this new department too many of us are riding. It means real work; we need to take hold of the rope and all pull together, not spasmodically, but one continuous pull.

There is no reason why the Home Department should not have a success in the Kansas Synod if willing workers can be found. You must be willing to give. Did I hear you say you are giving all you can? I trust in money you are, but our giving does not consist in money alone. We are reminded what Daniel's victory was in his

closet-prayer. Are we giving to this department of our closet-prayer?

We have the busy women, the tired women and the uninterested ones in our midst, and this class may apparently have no interest in missions. Seldom will any be found refusing to read missionary literature if it be presented to them.

An interesting tract in connection with articles taken from the "Missionary Journal" and distributed, to get this literature into different homes, cannot be done in a riding posture. The Master's example to us is to go forward as opportunity presents itself, working while it is day.

There is a little more encouragement in the work this year than last. Some new members have been gained through the Home Department effort. One great drawback I find in corresponding with the different societies is that they do not understand the plan of work. In the report of the General Secretary of the Home Department, on pages 105 and 119 of the proceedings of the Springfield convention, is found much needed information. Will you bring it before your auxiliary at the first meeting following this one?

Respectfully submitted,

MISS ANNA R. LEIDIGH, *Secretary.*

Thank-offering Department.

The work of the Thank-offering Department during the past year has been such that there is not much that appears like work to report, and yet a considerable amount of time, thought and energy have been expended.

The thank-offerings of this synodical society are gradually increasing, which is a hopeful sign of progress. If all our societies will make extra effort this fall, not only for an increase in the amount of the offering, but also in the matter of cultivating the true spirit of gratitude in the auxiliaries and in the homes of the people of the Church, the future will show marvelous growth in this matter of making free-will or thank-offerings.

Perhaps we are all too thoughtless and indifferent in regard to the many blessings constantly enjoyed, and need to be aroused in order that we may be fully awake in this matter. The use of the little mite-box and the record-card will aid very materially in developing this spirit and increase our own happiness, as well as augment the amount we give to missions.

The following recommendations are submitted for your consideration:

1. That each auxiliary society continues to retain a thank-offering

secretary, and that this secretary be instructed to keep in communication with the synodical thank-offering secretary.

2. That each auxiliary secretary shall report the November meeting and amount of thank-offering to the thank-offering secretary of the synodical society as soon as the offering has been gathered.

3. That a public meeting be held in November, either in connection with the regular monthly meeting or additional to it.

4. That all societies make a liberal use of the extra programs published by the General Literature Committee.

5. That mite-boxes be placed in as many homes as possible, and leaflets bearing on the best manner of using them be distributed with them.

6. That this convention make a small appropriation for the Thank-offering Department; this to be used for special literature for the societies and necessary expenses connected with the work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ALICE G. BOND, *Secretary.*

German Department.

The situation in the German Department is practically unchanged. The societies are prospering but are not yet ready to unite with the synodical society. Here and there the women are organizing societies, which however are not purely missionary in character; they nearly always combine the industrial feature with it. At present they are pursuing methods that seem best adapted to their conditions, and I do not deem it wise to urge them too vigorously to unite with our synodical society. I am sure our Heavenly Father will crown our efforts with success in His own good time.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CARL KRUEGER, *Secretary.*

The report of amount of Jubilee Fund given by Mrs. O. J. Peters, Secretary, is found in Treasurer's Report.

No report from Young People's and Band Department.

Young People's Hour.

"What Does the Young People's Society Represent," Mrs. A. E. Renn, Atchison.

"Value of Mission Study Classes," Mrs. L. M. Pace, Whitewater.

"Our Future Work and Workers," Mrs. R. B. Wolf, Kansas City, Kan.

Abstract of paper on "What Does the Young People's Society Represent?"

Mrs. A. E. Renn, Atchison.

What our young people represent may well be considered, for they represent the pliable, enthusiastic and energetic force of and for the Church. They represent, in the first place, the educational opportunity for missionary workers. It seems that not only must one be converted to Christ, but also to the cause of missions. Young people are wonderfully susceptible to religious ideas and ideals in which they move. It will be necessary, therefore, to hold our missionaries in loving and prayerful remembrance if we ever expect to attract the young to them and to the cause they represent. Let their pictures adorn the walls of our homes. Let the histories of their lives and works fill the libraries.

Our young people represent a force to be trained in missionary interest and giving. The young should be taught Christian stewardship. Let them learn that no one can be truly honest and withhold from God. God's blessings come to us regularly and systematically, and in turn we should render unto Him that which is due. Our young people represent a brave band. The heroic note appeals to them. We need the young to brave the dangers and to sweep on with irresistible force. When our young people say "We will be brave," we may be cheered, for the work will be carried on.

Abstract of paper on "The Study of Missions."

Mrs. L. M. Pace, Waterville, Kan.

"What if to heathen lands afar the word of life be bear?
In that high work of sacrifice still woman hath her share."

Ever since the beginning of the Christian era women have been missionaries. We do not mean we should all be missionaries. This is not possible, neither is it necessary. But, "whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might." In order to do a thing well we must know something about it; we must make a study of it, and as we study our interest deepens and our capacity for usefulness and helpfulness is enlarged. Thus it is with us in this missionary work. It is vastly important that we inform ourselves along all lines of the work, that we may work intelligently and in unison. The "United Course of Study" leads to a more intelligent and definite study, and wherever possible study classes should be formed. We would recommend that an afternoon, apart from that of the regular monthly meeting, be taken for this study.

To many this may mean a great amount of work, but the call of the age is to action, to concerted, consecrated action. Shall any

Christian woman be an idle spectator and not a worker in the movement? To every earnest woman comes this appeal: "Up! it is the Almighty's rally; God's own hath need of you."

Abstract of paper on "Our Future Work and Workers."

Mrs. R. B. Wolf.

"Our field is the world" is what the good Book says of our future work.

A review of the work done by the General Society in India and Africa shows that we must not fail to raise the $65,000.00 asked for the next biennium. When we consider how much more might be accomplished if only we could furnish the money and workers, it should cause every Christian woman to blush with shame that this, Christ's own work, should be so degraded. The sum of $14,087.91 used during the last biennium was shamefully inadequate to the demands made upon the General Society.

President Roosevelt, in his speech upon "The Future of the Lutheran Church in America," shows the great and peculiar responsibility resting upon the Lutheran people in this country—the inestimable responsibility of receiving into church homes the thousands of Lutheran immigrants daily coming to our shores.

Where, then, are we to look for workers to carry on this great and magnificent work? For these workers we must look to the young people's societies, but these young people must be trained in mission work. The most efficient young people's societies will be formed from the children who have been educated in the cradle rolls and mission bands.

Some one has said that the time to begin the training of a child is a hundred years before it is born; so we cannot begin too early in missionary education. If children are not interested in such work, when they become older it is very hard to awaken them to the need of such work.

Convention adjourned.

FOURTH SESSION.

The devotional service was conducted by Mrs. R. M. Ladwig, of St. Joseph, Mo.

Minutes read and approved.

Report of Committee on Officers' Reports.

The president's report is inspiring and encouraging. We suggest that we carefully consider her recommendation in regard to Christmas offerings, etc., especially emphasizing the adoption of the watchword, "A Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in every congregation."

The vice-presidents' reports show general interest in the work.

We express our appreciation of our recording and corresponding secretaries' reports. They show careful and faithful work. We suggest that the auxiliary corresponding secretary's report shall not record the financial report to the synodical corresponding secretary.

The report of our historian, so complete, shows her faithfulness to the work.

The treasurer's report was complete and accurate in every detail.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. J. P. ADAMS,
Mrs. FULLER BERGSTRESSER,
Mrs. H. ZIMMERMAN.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.

Whereas, We have been permitted by Divine Providence to assemble in this annual convention and to celebrate in it the twenty-fifth anniversary of our organization; and

Whereas, Year after year our work has steadily advanced until it has reached magnificent proportions, and this year of jubilee has fittingly been the crowning one of our history; therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we endeavor to make the achievements of the past stepping-stones over which we may pass to greater achievements in the future.

Resolved, 2. That it is with sorrow we record the death of our sister, Mrs. C. J. Eriksen, of Lawrence, and other co-laborers in this field. Mrs. Eriksen was a life member and one of our most useful workers among the children, and in her death this society has lost a valued worker.

Resolved, 3. That the deepest sympathy of this convention be extended to Mrs. M. J. Schauer, one of the charter members, and always an interested worker, in this bereavement by the death of her husband.

Resolved, 4. That the presence at this convention of Miss Jessie Brewer, returned missionary from India, has been a blessing to us, and we are sure will prove a great stimulus to the work in this synod.

Resolved, 5. That we express our sympathy for, and prayerful

interest in, the efforts that are now being made within our state to enforce the prohibitory law. We trust that in the near future the liquor traffic in Kansas may be entirely suppressed.

Resolved, 6. That we extend to Rev. H. A. Ott, D. D., our hearty thanks for his co-operation in securing for our delegate to Springfield a half-fare rate from Emporia to Chicago and return, and also for like favors extended to the officers of the convention.

Resolved, 7. That we extend a vote of thanks to Professor Iden, of the State Normal College, for the use of the room known as "The Upper Room;" to the pastor and people of St. Mark's Lutheran church, Emporia, for gracious hospitality enjoyed and kindly ministrations received, and to the press of the city for reports of our convention.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. ALICE G. BOND,
Miss ANNA R. LEIDIGH,
Adopted. Mrs. R. B. WOLF.

Report of Committee on Literature and Box-work Reports.

The committee have examined the reports of above committees and have found the box-work gratifying and the report on literature correct. We recommend that the deficit of 83 cents be paid and an appropriation of $5.00 be made for the use of the Literature Committee for next year.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. A. E. RENN,
Mrs. J. B. WHERFEL,
Adopted. Mrs. L. J. MYSER.

Report of Committee on Department Secretary Reports.

We, your Committee on Reports of Department Secretaries, have examined the work and find encouragement in their different lines, and especially in that of the Thank-offering Department.

We would recommend that a small appropriation be made for the Thank-offering Department.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. ADDIE PUGH,
Mrs. HIRAM GEORGE,
Adopted. Mrs. LUCY BREHM.

Report of Committee on Minutes.

We have examined the minutes and found them correct.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. M. E. KELLER,
Mrs. G. B. HANSTINE,
Adopted. Mrs. E. E. STAUFFER.

Report of Committee on Papers and Letters.

Your committee, after listening to the reading of the carefully-prepared papers and the interesting report of our delegate to the biennial convention, would recommend that a short synopsis of each be inserted in the minutes of the convention.

The Committee on Letters recommend that the delegates urge the placing of the Children's Missionary in their Mission Bands or Sunday school, as suggested by Miss Stoever in her letter to the convention. That they also urge more care in the sending of reports to the synodical corresponding secretary and treasurer from these Bands.

We acknowledge the greetings of Miss Stoever and Mrs. S. S. Waltz, of Louisville, Ky.

We recommend the payment of all bills presented to the convention.

Respectfully submitted, MRS. M. L. ERICKSON,
MRS. M. V. CAGNEY,
MRS. P. A. LUTT.

Adopted.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. H. A. Ott.

Vice-President, Northeast Conference—Mrs. J. P. Adams.

Vice-President, Northwest Conference—Miss Ada Livers.

Vice-President, Southwest Conference—Miss Anna Leidigh.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. P. A. Lutt.

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. John Hoffer.

Treasurer—Mrs. R. B. Wolf.

During an informal discussion on the disposition of the offering of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Service, Miss Anna R. Leidigh, of Hutchinson, Kansas, gave fifty dollars ($50.00) toward the endowment of a bed in the India Hospital. Following a suggestion to increase the amount of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary offering ($42.05) to $50.00, the delegates and friends present soon contributed $12.75, making a total of $54.80.

Moved and carried that the offering of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary Service be devoted to the endowment of a bed in the India Hospital.

NOTE.—After the Convention had adjourned, Mrs. Donmeyer, of Salina, Kan., gave $25.00 towards the Endowment Fund, which reads now as follows:

ENDOWMENT FUND FOR BED IN THE INDIA HOSPITAL.

Miss Anna Leidigh	$50 00
Mrs. Donmeyer	25 00
Twenty-fifth anniversary offering	42 05
Subsequent offering	12 75
Total	$129 80

Miss Jessie Brewer led in a Conference on the endowment of the bed in the India Hospital, and the home life of the Missionaries in India.

Vocal Solo—Mrs. L. J. Myser.

The Box-packing service, in charge of Mrs. J. P. Adams, was opened by singing "Bringing in the Sheaves," after which Mrs. Adams read eighth chapter of 2 Corinthians.

Miss Leidigh led in prayer.

Letter from pastor who received box last year was read by Mrs. Hoffer.

Mrs. Adams gave report of value of box as $96.50.

The service was closed by singing "Trust and Obey."

The President appointed Miss Ada Livers Chairman of Box Work Committee for next year.

Moved and carried that the Convention extend a hearty vote of thanks to the Synod for the privilege of printing the Minutes of the Convention with those of the Synod.

Miss Brewer called the attention of the Convention to the pin designed to be worn by members of the Missionary Society; the benediction to be used in the Auxiliary monthly meetings; the New Missionary Magazine, and legacies in favor of Missionary Work.

The closing Consecration service was conducted by Mrs. J. B. Wherfel.

Convention adjourned.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Annual Executive Session convened immediately after adjournment of Convention.

The President made the following appointments:

Literature Committee—Mrs. O. J. Peters, Mrs. Fuller Bergstresser.

Secretary Thank-offering Department—Mrs. Hiram George.

Secretary Home Department—Mrs. Emma Erickson.

Secretary German Department—Mrs. Carl Krueger.

Secretary Young People's and Band Department—Mrs. H. L. Humphrey.

Auditing Committee—Miss Lena Korn, Miss Catharine Jacobson.

Endowment Fund.

Miss Anna Leidigh.

The following bills were ordered paid:

Miss Brewer, traveling expenses	$10 00
Mrs. Peters, traveling expenses	2 40
Mrs. Humphrey, traveling expenses	2 40
Mrs. H. A. Ott—programs, $3.25; postage and stationery, $2.56; traveling expenses, $1.80—total	7 61
Mrs. Peters, deficit in Literature Fund	83
Mrs. Wolf—postage, $2.95; traveling expenses, $6.21	9 16
Mrs. Hoffer, postage	2 00
Total	$34 40

MRS. HERBERT L. HUMPHREY,
Recording Secretary.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this society shall consist of a President, three Vice-Presidents—selected, respectively, from the three conferences comprising the Synod—Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and Historian.

ARTICLE II.—Elections.

Section 1. The officers shall be elected by ballot at the morning session of the last day of the annual meeting, a majority vote being necessary to an election.

Section 2. No lady shall be eligible to any one office for a longer period than two consecutive years.

ARTICLE III.—Executive Committee.

The officers shall constitute an Executive Committee, whose duty it shall be to exercise supervision throughout the year, and fill all vacancies in office or committee.

ARTICLE IV.—Incidental Fund.

Section 1. Auxiliaries shall contribute twenty cents per member annually toward an incidental fund and the expense of a delegate to the Biennial Convention.

Section 2. The expenses of the administration throughout the year, also the traveling expenses of the President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer and Delegate of the Synodical Literature Committee to the annual convention, shall be paid from this fund.

ARTICLE V.—Synodical Delegate.

The Auxiliaries shall elect their delegates to the Synodical Conventions in August and report to the Synodical President immediately.

ARTICLE VI.—Amendments.

These By-Laws may be altered or amended by a majority vote of the Annual Convention.

FORM OF BEQUEST AND DEVISE.

I give and bequeath to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the sum of dollars, and request my executor or administrator to pay to said corporation said amount at the settlement of my estate.

I hereby give and devise to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, its successors and assigns, the following described real estate:

, to have and to hold the same with appurtenances thereto.

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CORPORATE NAMES AND TITLES.

To prevent all mistakes in the writing of wills and making of bequests to the benevolent objects of the Church, it has been ordered that the corporate names and titles of the different Boards and Societies of the General Synod should appear on this page. If those who contemplate making any of the church institutions named below beneficiaries in their last wills are careful to use the legal titles here following, their pious intentions will not be frustrated.

THE GENERAL SYNOD.

"The General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF CHURCH EXTENSION.

"The Board of Church Extension of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

"The Board of Education of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

"The Board of Foreign Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT GETTYSBURG.

"The Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

"The Historical Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

"The Board of Home Missions of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE DEACONESS BOARD.

"The Deaconess Board of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE ORPHANS' HOME AT NACHUSA, ILL.

"Nachusa Lutheran Orphanage of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the General Synod in the United States of America."

THE PARENT EDUCATION SOCIETY.

"Parent Education Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

THE PASTORS' FUND SOCIETY.

"The Pastors' Fund Society of the General Synod of the Lutheran Church in the United States of America."

THE PUBLICATION SOCIETY.

"The Lutheran Publication Society."

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT ATCHISON, KAN.

"Western Theological Seminary of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the United States."

CARTHAGE COLLEGE.

"Carthage College, Carthage, Illinois."

THE W. H. AND F. M. SOCIETY.

"The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States."

HOME FOR THE AGED.

"The National Lutheran Home for the Aged, Washington, D. C."

CAUTION.—It would be well to remember that State laws should be consulted in making bequests.